

Apr. 1, '85

Dear Mrs. Merrill

I purchased some misc. Buchanan data from a Lou Duprey of Fla. from an ad I saw in a genealogy magazine.

Among the material was a notation that there was a Buchanan Family History at the Vigo Co. Public Library and would be copied for a fee.

May I inquire if this offer is still available and the charge for having ~~some~~ copies made and postage, please?

Thanking you in advance for your kind help and time with my request, it is appreciated very much.

Sincerely yours,

Judith Burkhardt
1056 W. Water St.
Berne, Ind. 46711

4-7-85

Dear Mrs. Sherrill,

Thank you so much for your prompt reply to my Buchanan request and for your kind offer to copy the Buchanan material, it is most appreciated.

Along with your letter in yesterday's mail I also received a letter from the Mary Pickrell you spoke of. She, too, offered to copy the Buchanan material for me, which I decided to accept, since I feel you are surely quite busy working there at the library, and always feel a little guilty when my request requires quite a bit of time to fulfill and would take you away from your other duties that come first. I hope you understand it is nothing personal.

I might add here that I have been collecting Buchanan material for 10 yrs. now and have a fair amt. on a number of misc. Buchanans in many states in several categories (wills, cemeteries, war rec, Bible, biographies,

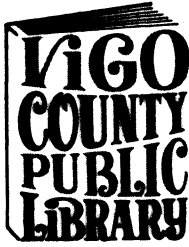
etc.). I am also familiar with the George Buchanan family you spoke of in the Buchanan material that you have and have a fair amount of info. on his children and some of his grandchildren.

If I can be of any help to anyone who inquires at the Vigo Co. Public Library on Buchanan's, please feel free to give them my name and address.

Thank you again for writing. It is most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Judith Buckhardt
1056 W. Water St.
Berne, Ind. 46711



Judith Burkhardt
1056 W. Water Street
Berne IN 46711

April 4, 1985

Mrs. Merrill is no longer working at the library so your letter of April 1 came to me.

Our surname file does contain a folder on the Buchanan family, and we do make photocopies for 10¢ per page, plus postage. It would probably cost about \$5.00 to copy and mail the Buchanan file as it is quite a hodge podge of items. I don't know that it would be very helpful to you. The file consists of correspondence carried out during the 1930s between local Buchanan descendants and a Buchanan Clan and a Buchanan Heirs Association. Supposedly there were 42 pieces of real estate in New York City and other places which a William Henry Harrison Buchanan had left tied up in 99 year leases at his death in 1831. The heirs were supposed to be able to reclaim the valuable property when the leases expired. The whole thing appears to have been one of those fraudulent inheritance schemes which occasionally surface.

However, the local Buchanans submitted information on their families in order to prove they were entitled to part of the inheritance. There are letters to and from a Maude Wehr, Theresa Wehr, and Lee Norman Wehr. They were children of a Charles Wehr and a Lucinda Buchanan. Lucinda was a daughter of a William H. Buchanan and his second wife Nancy O'Neal. William H. was said to be a son of William, who was a son of George, a Revolutionary soldier. This George supposed came from Ireland to Pennsylvania before the Revolution and to Jefferson and Ripley counties in Indiana by 1813. This George Buchanan is listed in volume one of Roster of the Revolutionary Ancestors of the Indiana DAR, so maybe the information on him is fairly accurate.

While I was working on this letter a Mary Pickrell came into the library and asked to use the Buchanan file. I gave her your name, and no doubt you will be hearing from her. She also has information on these Buchanans.

Nancy Sherrill

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Sherrill".

Genealogy Librarian

Buchanan Family

Marie Crockett Mims
P. O. Box 252
Edgefield, S C 29824

March 4, 1993

Dear *Mr. Buchanan,*

Enclosed you will find a copy of my genealogy.
Also is a list of surnames included in my genealogy.

Please give copies of what I am sending to you
to any researcher, library, or organization that may
have a use for the genealogy.

I will gladly respond to inquiries by mailing
family group sheets, other lineage charts, and docu-
mentation.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

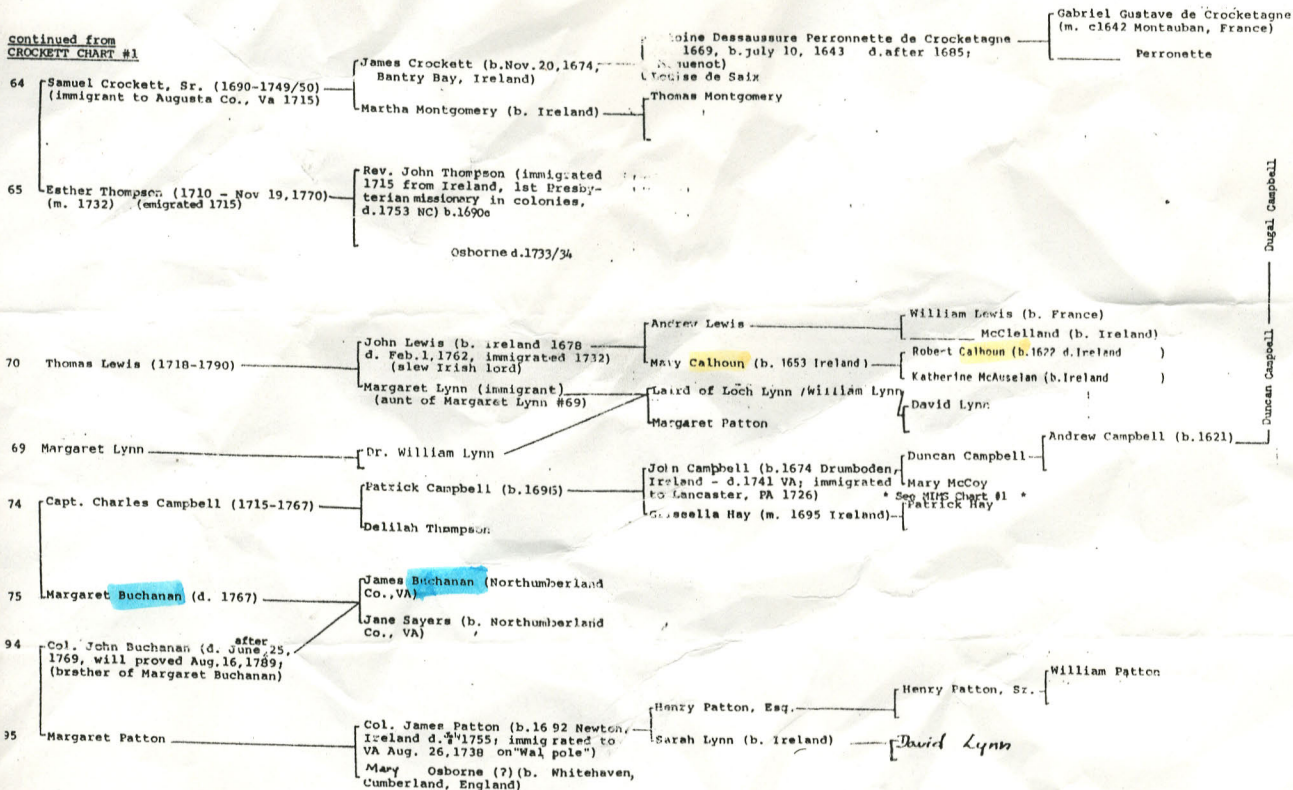
Marie Crockett Mims
Marie Crockett Mims

*Please ignore the wrinkles and yellow
highlighting on the enclosed sheets. You
will see the Buchanan surname
highlighted in blue.*

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March 11, 1993

continued from
CROCKETT CHART #1



Surnames included in my genealogy - Marie Crockett Mims
P. O. Box 252
Edgefield, SC 29824

Adams
Addison
Albrighton
Allday
Ariens

Baker
Ballard
Baugh
Beale
Beers
Bell
Bennett
Bolling
Booth
Bourne
Bowes
Bowser
Bradley ← Boyd
Broadhead/Brodhead
Brown

Buchanan
Butler

Caldwell
Calhoun
Campbell
Clements
Clopton
Coate
Cocke
Cole
Conyers
Cox
Crockett
Crosby

Dabney
Dalby
Davis
Day
deSaix
Doniphan
Dow
Dunbar

Dyne
Edney
Evans
Folliott
Fore
Frogge
Furman

Gile
Gye

Hansford
Harris
Harrison
Harwood
Hatherly
Haven
Hay
Haynsworth
Haywood
Heavin
Hesse
Howe
Hutchinson
Hyatt

James
Jarratt
Jennings
Johnson
Jolye
Jones

Karr/Kerr

Lake
Landrum
Langley
Lee
Lewis
Lilly
Lucas
Lynn

McAuselan
McCandless
McCarty
McClelland
McCoy

Maidstone
Martin
Maverick
Mellette
Metcalf
Miller
Mims
Moseley
Mott
Mousall

Nicholson

O'Neil
Osborne

Patton
Pauling
Pedeu
Perrin
Perronette
Pierce
Porter

Ramsey
Richardson
Ridley
Robertson
Robins
Roosa
Rout
Royall

Sallis
Savage
Sayers
Scott
Selby
Sellers
Shackleford
Shell
Shepherd
Simkins
Smith
Smyly
Stafford
Steele
Stith
Strickland
Strother
Stuart
Sutcliffe

Tapp
Taylor
Tewksbury
Thompson
Throckmorton
Tignall
Ting
Tutt
Tye

Underwood

Veale

Waldegrave
Wandesford
Watts

Weir
Wheeler

White
Wildy(Weldy)

Winstead ← Williams

Wood
Woods
Woodville
Wright
Wynn

Youngblood

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H.E. & J.C. Davis
5003 Saddle Dr.
Austin, TX
78725

* Nathaniel Welshier c. 1695 d. c. 1776

Esther m. Geo Forbes, VA ? m. Steele
S. Nathaniel S. Sampson
d. "Cousin" Forbes S. Nathaniel

* John Buchanan c. 1751 m.

b. c. 1700 IR d. c. 1794 VA

Robert
To GA

Mary c. 1753 (PA)
m. — Robinson
issue - to MD?

* Elizabeth (Welshier) Baxter

b. d. c. 1799, VA

Elizabeth c. 1750
m. — A. Price, issue, 5
Killed by Indians
m. I. Hart, issue, 4
to MO

Nancy c. 1756 (VA)
m. Henry Francis
Issue - to MO

m. William Baxter, PA
S. John

1. "Cousin" Forbes
b. c. 1760
d. c. 1795

* Nathaniel Buchanan
b. c. 1754, VA
c. 1780
m. VA d. 5 Nov 1829, KY

2. Betsy Conn
b. 23 July 1779
5 DEC 1796
m. KY d. 2 DEC 1836

* James Conn, Dr.
Polly James
m. Mason
Peggy
French

Welshier Buchanan
b. 14 May 1781, VA
d. 3 FEB 1857, IL

George
b. 19 OCT 1783, VA
d. 1802, KY

ANN
b. 9 May 1786, VA
d. 1857

Elizabeth
b. 29 APR 1790

Margaret
b. 14 July 1792

William H.
b. 13 Nov 1798
d. 61 JAN 1856, IL

James
b. 21 DEC 1800
d. 12 JAN 1846
m. Rhoda
b. d. 21 JAN 1849

m. Polly Conn, m. 21 MAR 1813, KY
b.
d. 22 NOV 1828, IN

m. Rebecca Hoffman, 20 MAY 1839, IL
m. Elizabeth McCasland, 13 SEP 1847, IL
b. 16 FEB 1785, NC
d. 5 NOV 1870, IL

Othneil Buchanan Nathaniel John
b. 20 APR 1812
d. 15 OCT 1892
m. Evaline Sellets, 29 DEC 1835, IL
b. 1815
d. 11 JAN 1911, IL

Mary A.
b. 1836, IL
m. — Russell

Theodore C
b. 1839, IL

Lucinda A
b. 1840, IL

Malinda C
b. 1843, IL

Sarah A.
b. 1847, IL

Kate M.
m. Jones
to Kansas
city

E. V.

Alice
m. — De La Vergne
to Clinton, MO

Emma B.
m. — Johnson
to St Paul, MN

? ? ?

John Buchanan
b. 17 Feb 1797, KY
d. 13 MAR 1880, IL
m. Millie Shewsbury, 23 SEP 1821, KY
b. 1 SEP 1799
d. 2 DEC 1823
m. Eleanor Long, 31 JUL 1828, IL
b. 18 NOV 1809, IL
d. 15 JUL 1851, IL

m. Mary Compton, 23 MAR 1853, IL
b. 10 MAR 1796
d.

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A

* = Grandparents

* William Walls b. 1718 d. 1778

* Joshua Walls, SR b. c. 1740 d. c. 13 Nov 1796

* Delilah Atkins (?)

* Rev. Joshua Walls, Jr b. 1 Feb 1762 d. 1 Sep 1836

* Ellen b. 25 Dec 1763 d. 12 Aug 1838

* Dr. Jobe Walls
b. 11 Apr 1788, DE
d. 11 Jan 1861m. 1st cousin
* Louise Robinson
b. 8 May 1795
d. 2 Dec 1851Nancy
b. 4 Dec 1802, KY
d. 5 Oct 1850m. Enoch Walls
b. 16 Dec 1813
d. 26 Jan 1853m. Sarah Frakes, 13 Aug 1851
b. 13 Aug 1819, KY
d. 5 Aug 1891, INJosephine
b. 1852m. Samuel Kilby
Hawkins, Jr.Nathaniel F.
b. 4 Jan 1805, KY
d. 8 - 1854
m. Ann Moody
14 May 1836Maria Louisa
b. 1853d. 1928, IN
m. John Wm.
HawkinsManerva M.
b. 13 Jul 1807, KY
d. 10 - 1807Robert M.
b. 14 Jul 1808, KY
d. 18 Dec 1826* Mason French
b. 25 Nov 1810, KY
d. 29 Oct 1899, ILm. * Eliza Walls, 4 Oct 1838
b. c. 1815, KY
d. 3 Nov 1899, ILElias B.
b. 6 May 1813, KY
d. 28 Jul 1834, ILPolly C.
b. 9 Feb 1816, KY
d. 14 Apr 1834, ILAndrew P.
b. 5 Apr 1818, KY
d. ILm. Elizabeth
Koonce
28 Aug 1838m. Harriet L.
Sparling
3 May 1845Owen William TELL
b. 1836Isabelle
b. 1838
d. 4 Mar 1873
or 1876(See James
Long Buchanan)Napoleon (Howard)
b. 1839Tilghman William W.
b. 1841 b. 1842

* Mason * Eliza

Job H.
b. 7-1835, IN
d. 1908, IN
m. 1 Nov 1887
Mary E. Welch
b. 18 Mar 1831, IN
d. 1913, ILFerdinando C.
b. 1839
d. 18 Feb 1863
Rachel Johnson

To Indian Territory

Louisa Jane
b. 1842
d. 24 Oct 1865
Hugh Hood

Josephine

Nathaniel Scott
b. 27 Aug 1844
d. 10 May 1917, IL
m. 24 Dec 1878
Roxanna Buntin
nee Fowler
d/o Wm. B. FowlerMary Bell
10 Aug 1885, IL
m. Zella Lawson
nee Gardiner
d/o Daniel Gardiner
Mary Perry
5 Nov 1909, ILElizabeth Ann
b. 1 Sep 1848, IN
d. 3 Feb 1934, IL
m. 11 May 1866
Samuel ReedyEmma, Charley, Arthur
Sherman, Ross, Cora
Lucy, Ruth, Harry
FreddieJohn Wesley
b. 1852
d. 25 Jul 1875
Isabelle Whitson* William Tell
b. 12 Jul 1855, IL
d. 2 Dec 1903, IL
m. c. 1775* Martha Adeline Mullen
b. c. 1856d. 15 Aug 1904
William Thomas
s/o David Thomas
MaryWilliam Theodore
b. 29 Aug 1860, IA
d. Nov 1899, IN
m. 19 Nov 1882, IL
Mary Gahlan
b. GermanyStella
b. 1865, IA
d. 30 Aug 1883
John W. Kilborn
To Iowa

(D)

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(C)

m. Hannah Fatts, 30 DEC 1862, IL
b. 19 NOV 1811
d.

James Long
b. 23 APR 1829, IL
d. 28 DEC 1904, IL

1. m. ?
2. m. ?
3. m. Isabelle Walls
b.
d. 3-4-1873, IL
m.

Charles C.
b. 1854, IL
d. 9 SEP 1855, IL

4. m. Lucinda Finley, 16 MAR 1882

Mrs. Anna Gertrude Lucy
D. A Maize b. 1867 m. 60 Smith b. 30 JUL 1865 ? P. Walter b. 22 MAR 1855

(More information available in
Bond Co., IL, Greenville Library)
on all these Buchanans

Mary Ann
b. 4 FEB 1841, IL
d. 28 APR 1807, IL

m. Stephen Vest, 29 MAR 1849
b.
d. 6 SEP 1855

Cortina Ellen Joseph Monroe
b. 29 NOV 1849
d. 27 JAN 1911

m. Matilda Fields, 27 SEP 1874

Horatio Carrie Gladys

2. m. Joseph Smith, 26 JUL 1857
b.
d. 31 MAR 1859

George
b. 2 MAY 1858
d.
m. Fanny Fields

3. m. Freeland Jackson, 8 NOV 1860 & Mary Ann
b.
d. 18 NOV 1881

Florence Bertha
b. 26 DEC 1863
d.
m. William Pitt, 23 SEP 1883
b.
d. 10-1895-
DON

Erminnie
b. 31 OCT 1867
d.
m. Patingile
b. 21 FEB 1870
m. May Holly

ELI Arthur Clara
b. 13 NOV 1872 m. Hubbard

Belle daughter Eugene
m. Brown m. Edith
m. Maggie MOORE

Nathaniel Welshier
b. 28 JUNE 1833, IL
d. 30 DEC 1836

Sarah Jane
b. 11 OCT 1834, IL
d. 12 JUNE 1900
m. Allen Brown
b. 23 APR 1831, OH
d. 7 OCT 1893, IL

Frank Anna MAY Ella
m. James E. Scott m. Geo.
7 APR 1897 IL w. Grigg

Clarence, Arthur
& Edith

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Martha
Elizabeth
b. 12 MAR 1838, IL
d. 24 SEP 1868, IL

Priscilla Isabelle
b. 2 FEB 1840, IL
d. 5 MAY 1858, IL

John Thomas
b. 31 MAR 1842, IL
d. 7 OCT 1910, MT
m. 8 DEC 1866

Nancy Eleanor
b. 6 MAR 1844, IL
d. 15 JUL 1926, IL
m. 20 OCT 1864

George Peter
b. 15 OCT 1848
d. 18 OCT 1891
m. 5 MAY 1870
Mary Featherstone

son
b. 1847
d. 1847

m.
Joseph Combs - m.
b. 3 NOV 1833
d. 9 JUL 1910, IL
s/o Dr John Combs
b. 20 DEC 1810
d. 13 JUL 1857

22 OCT 1871
Louisa A Burke
nee Russell
b. 12 APR 1840
d. 30 JUN 1931

Elizabeth Mattingly
b. 9 SEP 1843
d. 2 JAN 1917, IL
d/o Dr. John
Eleanor

Henry H. Nowlan
b. 1871
d. 11 MAY 1873
James P. Lilligh
b. 20 Feb 1840, PA
d. 12 SEP 1917, IL

(Lilligh)

Richard b. 19 JAN 1867
Catherine b. 19 FEB 1867
Matilda b. 31 NOV 1870

Issue

Jennie ARVADA
Holt
b. 4 NOV 1860
d. JUL 1937

Lillian A Ridgeway ? ? ?
b. 28 DEC 1864
d. 16 JUN 1936

dau. Mabel
m. - Bouillon

son Raymond

dau. Margaret
Joan

Jessie E.
b. 15 OCT 1867
d. 26 MAR 1939
m. 19 MAY 1889
Henry Clement
Mahle
b.
d. 4 MAY 1950, IL

Sally Iane
b. 22 Aug 1869
d.
m. George Koonce

Anna R.
b. 15 MAR 1876
d.
m. John H. Riggs
Tol MT

Nellie
Leon
b. 11 FEB 1888
m. Joshua R. Peters
d. T. J. Fink

John Henry - Jennie
b. 28 JUL 1867
d. 7 MAR 1959
m. 17 APR 1892
Nancy Florence
Veathery

Wm. Tell - Martha A

Scott b. 1876
Ira b. AUG 1878

Andrew Jackson
b. JAN 1881
m. 7 NOV 1912
Hulda Morris
b. 1890
d.
To: KY

daughter
b. 18 JUN 1883
d. APR 1884

William
b. 7-1884
d. 1911(?)
m. 20 OCT 1907
Dora Haddix
b. c. 1889
d/o William
Mary Hannon
male
b. 28 MAY 1910, IL

Noah
b. 23 AUG 1887

Hearley M
(Hurley Mason)
b. JAN 1890
d.
m. 1 OCT 1910
Mary E. Thomas
b. c. 1894
d/o Wm.
Rebecca
Williams

* Ethel
b. 8 APR 1891, IL
d. , CA
m. 19 JAN 1908
* John Wright
b. 1 APR 1881
d. FEB 1968
m. Clifford
Middleton
s/o Isaac
Margaret Ann
Matthews
3) John Shoemaker

Seathe Charles J
b. JAN 1894 b. 29 MAR 1896
d. 1974
m. 11 MAY 1914
Mayfield Shields

- Clark Center Gen. Soc. Marshall, IL
- Bond Co. (Greenville Library) Greenville, IL
- WALLS Family Book Sullivan, IN Library
- Virginia (various documents)
- LONG Family Greenville, IL

BELL BUCHANAN
COPELAND BAER
MILLER DUNN

Donated by Rula Barbee

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R. 4-Martinsville, I
Ind.

Dear Florence, and Family:

I'm enclosing a list of generations of interest to your family especially Marian-Please enclose in your next letter to her, won't you?

I'm in a bit of a rush getting off on a history trek to the "old Dominion" state, (Harrisonburg & Covington, Va.), so will not take time to make more than 1 copy. ON my return I hope to ~~compix~~ compile a list of Revolutionary lines for White River twp. folks. The other night, I did not mean "everyone" now living in White River Twp.-only the pioneer descendants are eligible) But I meant everyone of these descendants, could belong, if they so desired.

Tell Marian to write, me after Nov. 1st, and I can give her all dates of birth, marriage, death records. T~~e~~. names on card.

Nice seeing you at the dinner.

Soon as "My Old Far West Scrap-Book" us fubusged-with sketches of covered Bridge, old post office etc., I will share it;-also, "Hoosier Capitol(almost)"-this will include "Old Porte Royale"- "The Bluffs"- "Whitzel Settlements" & som "Far West" data-(old store records etc.) When the new road is completed-plans for the "Big Celebration" can be made- You & hours will be eligible to be in the Historical Pageant .

Historically,
Verna Van

DIRECT LINE OF DESCENT:

Generation 1-Children of Wm & Marian McCarty Tearman

"	2-Marian McCarty Tearman	m.	Wm. Tearman
"	3-Florence Hughes McCarty	m.	Basil McCarty
"	4-Minnie Sutton Hughes	m.	Chameron Hughes
"	5-Maria Dunn Sutton	m.	Peter Sutton
"	6-Christena(Tena) Tresslar Dunn		Wm. Dunn
"	7-Barbara Mallow Tresslar	m.	Peter Tresslar
"	8-Christina Baer Mallow	m.	Michael Mallow Jr.
"	9-Istina Miller (Mueller Baer		Jacob Baer, Jr.
"	10-Adam Miller(Mueller)		

According to "The History of Page County, Virginia," Genealogy Section, In., State Library 140 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis., (Book written by H. Strickler). The first white settler in the Shenandoah Valley, Virginia was this Adam Miller.

The grave stones for Jacob Baer, Jr. and wife are at Baer Lithia Springs, Rockingham Co., Va.(Written in German). Her name "Istana"(or Istina) seems to be an abbreviation for Christina the I standing for Christ" as the X in Xmis.

My D.A.R. membership is via the Jacob Baer, Jr.

His father was also in Revolution Jacob Baer, Sr.

Born 1704 in Zurich Switzerland to Lancaster Co., Penn. 1724.

Adam (Mueller) Miller was son of Johannes & Margaretha Muller, Schriesham, Germany.

THE BUCHANAN ESTATES.

John Buchanan

Married

Jane Russell in Ireland

Their children were-----James

William

Archie

John

William Buchanan married

Maiden name of wife unknown to this affiant

Their children were-----Betsy

James, Father of Pres.
Buchanan

Samuel Archibald

George

William

George Buchanan, Soldier of the
Revolutionary War, came to state of
Pennsylvania from Ireland among the
early emigrants.

He married Esther Campbell

He came to Indiana Territory about
1813, to what is now known as Ripley
and Jefferson Counties.

His children were-----Wilson

David

John

William

Margaret

Mary

Martha

Jean

Mary Buchanan, Born March 15, 1764, died May 21, 1857.

Married 1787, to

George Eli Benefield (or Benefiel) Born Dec. 25, 1759, died in
Jefferson County, Indiana,
April, 1832.

Their children were-----Robert

Martha

William

Esther Campbell

George

Mary

Jane

Jesse

Wilson

James

Samuel

Eliza

James C. Benefield (or Benefiel)

Married Elizabeth Taylor

Their children were-----Elizabeth married John W.

Robbins

Samuel M. m. Mary Jane

Hamilton

xxxx Buchanan x
xxxxxx Johnson x

Mary Buchanan m. Jordan Johnson-no h
heirsh

George deceased, no heirs
John T. deceased, no heirs
Nancy Jane m. James H. McCarty
Esther deceased, no heirs.
Martha deceased, no heirs
William m. Mary Ryker
Sarah m. Joseph Colbert
James m. Mary Wyant

Nancy Jane Benefield (or Benefiel)

Married 1861 to

James H. McCarty

Their children were-----Emma A. m. William M. Voris
James Wm. m. Marietta Hughes
John T. deceased, no heirs
George A. m. Codia Copeland
Frank M. m. Ottilla Shutters
& Alma M. McLeland
Mary Elizabeth m. Moses S. McClain

George A McCarty

Married 1892 to

Codia Copeland

Their children are-----John Basil m. Florence Hughes
James Ara m. June Snyder
Ralph T. m. Thelma Zinkin

John Basil McCarty

Married to

Florenc Hughes

Their children are-----Marion
Maurice
Martha Jane
Richard Mark

England-David Sutton-----Moses
James
Elizabeth Town, N.J.
James Sutton-M. Hannah Cox- Son James Sutton

James Sutton married Elizabeth Bell

Jaback Sutton son of James-Elizabeth Bell

Peter Sutton

Jacob & Abigal Doty Sutton

Here are some Colonial residents & Revolutionary Patriots and Soldiers, your family are directly in line from: I have all the dates on this:

1. Geo. Mallow, Sr.-Mrs. Omer Dunn & Mary Richardson have D.A.R. membership on this line.
2. His son Michall Mallow, Jr.
3. ~~Jacob~~ Baer, Sr-Born 1704, Zurich, Switzerland
" Bär, Jr.
3. Henry Trusler-also his father
4. Johanes Peter Trusler-spelled in various ways-"Trefsler-Tressler"-Dresslar-Dressler". It has been proved all the same name:
5. Adam Miller
6. James Dunn
- 7.-----Lane
8. John Sutton Br.Pennsylvania(spelled Sotton in some places)
9. White-father of Mrs. Henry Truser

These names are in Militia Records of Virginia Valley Records-By Dr. John Wayland of Harrisonburg, Va.

Buchanan Family

November 16, 1931

Miss Olive Wilson,
1608 South Center Street,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

My dear Olive:

*See notary
affidavit.*

Your letter of November 13th, received and contents noted. Mrs. Melton and I made the trip to Lydia Taylor Sunday and received some information. Could only locate the name of seven children of John Buchanan. Below you will find data as recorded in book. My great great grandfather Buchanan came over from Scotland just before the Revolution War. His name was John, he married Mary Smith in Old Virginia, and they moved from Old Virginia to Kentucky. They had thirteen (13) children, three (3) boys and five (5) girls lived to be grown. The girls names were Betsy, Nancy, Jennie and Kittie. I could not locate the other girls name. The boys were Smith, John and Archy. Smith married Polly Minton. John died a single man and Archy married a Miss Station, they had one child a boy. Polley Minton was married in Kentucky about the year of 1812, they had nine (9) boys all lived to be grown but one, and seven were married. There names were, Jackson married Frances Bishop first then Lucy DeGernett, William died single, and John married Lizzie Jesse. Samuel married Arthusia Bickey, Smith died when small. Daniel married Betsy Dodd, Archy married Margaret Roberts, Joseph married first Mille Thomas then Polly Morgan. Wallace married Emarine Kiser.

I notice that you haven't mentioned my fathers brothers, John B uchanan. I am going to Louisville this week probably I can secure some more information.

Yours very truly,
C.H. Buchanan

Louisville, New Albany & Corydon R.R. Co.,
Corydon, Indiana

Bradford in Cincinnati? Mrs. Melton said you had his name and possibly it would be worth while to get in touch with him. I will pass on what information I get to you and will appreciate it if you will do the same by me.

Regarding my friend in New York I have heard from him since he has consulted with his attorney. They will be unable to do anything there until they receive the name of one of the attorneys or executors of this trust. As soon as I get that information t they will take up the matter further for me and of course I will send your names in also if you wish. Surely some one is handling L.D's business and we should be able to find out who it is.

Awaiting your further attention, I am

Sincerely,
Glen Head.

GENEALOGY OF

BEGINNING WITH:

JOHN BUCHANAN, date of his birth unknown. Came to this country from Scotland a short time before the Revolutionary War began, taking sides with the Colonists. He married Mary Smith and settled in Old Virginia, later moved to Kentucky.

CHILDREN OF JOHN BUCHANAN WERE:

Betsy, Nancy, Jennie, Kitty, Smith, John and Archie. Six other children names unknown died when young. Smith married Mary (Polly) Minton in about the year 1812.

CHILDREN OF SMITH BUCHANAN WERE:

Jackson Buchanan was born in year 1815 married Frances Bishop who died, then married Lucy De Jarnette.

CHILDREN OF JACKSON BUCHANAN AND FRANCES BISHOP WERE:

Sarah Catherine, Mary Jane, Frances Elizabeth and William Smith.

CHILDREN OF JACKSON BUCHANAN AND LUCY DE JARNETTE WERE:

Mellisa Caroline and Arretta:

WILLIAM SMITH BUCHANAN was born in Henry county, Kentucky, January 16, 1844, married Queen Victoria Sands October 1874. Queen Victoria Sands was born August 25, 1886. He died June 25, 1908.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM SMITH AND QUEEN V. BUCHANAN WERE:

William Jackson, Martha Frances, Charles H. and Retta.

MARTHA FRANCES BUCHANAN was born in Orange County, Indiana, July 26, 1875. Married Terrence C. Wilson January 19, 1894. He died May 10. 1915.

CHILDREN OF MARTHA F. BUCHANAN & TERRENCE C. WILSON ARE:

Richard S. Georgia M. Olive H. Charles H. and Francis J.

English, Indiana
Nov. 15, 193-

Dear Olive,

Received your letter yesterday, and about one hour after getting it had a telephone call from your uncle Charles telling me he would come here today and we together would go to Lydia Taylor's. He and Katharine got here about 11 o'clock. We started to Lydia's at noon. After a long tiresome search she found the record.

This is the way she had it written: John Buchanan came from Scotland a short while before the Revolutionary War began. He married Mary Smith and settled in Old Virginia. Afterward moved to Kentucky. They had 13 children, all of whom died when young except 5 girls and three boys. The girls names were Kitty, Nancy, Jennie and Betsey. The boy's names were Smith, John and Archie. Smith married Polly Minton about the year 1812. John was never married. Archie married Miss Staton. They had one child, a boy. Archie died suddenly at Louisville when it was only a little village.

Smith and Polly Buchanan had nine children, all boys. Jackson married Frances Bishop after she died he married Lucy DeJarnette. William was not married, John Henry married Elizabeth Jesse, Samuel married Arthusia Dickey, Smith died when small, Daniel married Betsey Dodd, Archie married Margaret Roberts, Joseph was married twice-1st wife Mille Thomas, 2nd wife Polly Morgan, Wallace married Emarine Kiser.

Although Lydia had it written that five of John and Mary's girls lived to be grown she had the names of only four. When your uncle Charles called her attention to it she did not remember ever having noticed it. Her father John Henry Buchanan was born in Fayette Co., Ky. Sept. 17, 1817. He was the third child. Jackson the first and William the second. Smith Buchanan and Polly Minton were married in Kentucky about 1812.

Many thanks for the information in your letter about what is now being done in settling up the Buchanan estate. Charles is going to send me a copy of the paper telling of L.D. Buchanan's work in looking up those many wills.

My best regards to your mother, brother Charles and all the other members of your family.

Milton
Jennie ~~Mitten~~.

P.S. Lydia was mistaken last Sunday when she said "three Buchanan brothers came from Scotland," Her record only shows that one Buchanan came.

Retta Buchanan born on the 29 of April 1881 at Symore, Indiana, Orange, Co. Married to Julias A. Walling on the 10 of Sept. at Princeton, Indiana. One son born Feb. 24, 1902. Died on June 20, 1916. One daughter Ruth C. Walling born on 19 April 1907 at Princeton, Ind. Married on Nov. 2, 1927 at New Castel, Ind. to Kenneth Rozell. Married to Edward Homer on Aug. 5, at Louisville Ky. 1923. Queen Elb. Buchanan married to Henery C. Jackson Aug. 25, 1872.

English, Ind.
Sept. 10, 1931.

Dear cousin:

Our grandfather Buchanan was named Jackson. He had eight brothers. Here is the names of six of them, John, Joseph, Archie, Daniel, Wallace and Smith. I don't know the names of the other two brothers. Grandfather was married twice, His first wife was our grandmother, named Frances Bishop. His second wife was Lucy De Jarnet.

I heard about a month ago that a will made by a Buchanan 100 years ago was trying to be settled and search was being made for the decendants of the Buchanan who left the will.

I also learned that some one not far from here had a list of the names of our branch of the Buchanan family. Have been aiming to try to get this list of names. If you or Retta get the book of names, please send me a copy. And if I get the list of names I've heard of I'll send you a copy.

It is rumored the value of the estate to be settled is millions.

My children are all married and live a long way from English. The three boys all live in Illinois. My girl lives 30 miles north east of Indianapolis. My youngest boy, Presley has a new baby boy named John. We have nine grandchildren.

Was very glad to hear from you. Please write again.

Jennie Melton
English, Indiana.

6241 Winthrop Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois
February 13, 1932

Miss Olive H. Wilson
1608 S. Center St.,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dear Miss Wilson:

Received your letter of February 1st regarding the Buchanan estate. Due to an operation my mother had to under go and the necessity of frequent visits to the hospital along with other urgent affairs I have been unable to answer sooner.

I first wish to thank you for all your information. I am ~~returning~~ your typewritten summary from which I have made a copy. By cooperation possibly we can do something towards furthering the cause of our branch of the Buchanan family in the estate.

I am sure that we are from the same branch. I knew that before I wrote you. I personally know Mrs. Jennie Melton and also can recall when I was quite small, my great grandmother, Sarah Catherine, who was a sister to Mary Jane, Mrs. Melton's mother and William Smith your grandfather. My grandfather, who is still living is the oldest member of this line so far as we know. He was the son of Sarah Catherine, Andrew Jackson's oldest child. I was at Lydia Taylors, near English, last summer in search of what information she had, but at that time she was unable to find her records. When quite small I was at their home while John Henry was living, according to my grandfather, but I do not remember him, Mrs. Melton can remember Jennie, the daughter of John Buchanan and Mary Smith. My grandfather remembers her also. He and Mrs. Melton remember of hearing her and John Henry telling stories regarding John, but neither of them knew anything definite enough to be of benefit in tracing our family of the Buchanan clan but I do not see how we can go back further than John Buchanan and Mary Smith. We do not even know John's middle name and I imagine there were several Johns about that time, however, if we keep after it possibly we can connect our John with the original clan. If we could get in touch with the descendants of any of his children possibly they would have more information regarding him than the descendants of his son Smith. As soon as I get time I am going to call on some of the Buchanans in Chicago.

I never have been able to receive any reply from three letters I have written to L.H. Buchanan at Palestine. A few weeks ago he wrote me saying he had the names and addresses of the three executors and the name and address of one attorney, who was in charge of this estate or trust. I am mailing him a copy of the summary I received from you in hopes that he will answer. We absolutely should have our names and claims filed with the proper person for consideration at least, but as yet I can not convince myself who that person is. If L.D. is ill surely some one is handling his affairs. I can not conceive of how he could have gotten our names and without a doubt we are descendants of the Buchanan clan and according to information I have received all descendants, though they may have been only distant cousins, share in the estate in equal shares. Have you ever written Mr.

English, Indiana
Sept. 23,

Dear Mattie:

Received your letter and the copy of one branch of the Buchanan family tree. Many thanks. I went to see Duck Cummins this afternoon. She said she did not know James Sands address.

I can tell you about uncle John Buchanan and his children. I've seen them many times, have visited them at their homes and they all have visited me.

He had two sons and two daughters. Ida married Frank Sanders and is now living at Franklin, Ind. Her brother Herbert and two children make their home with her. Herbert was working for the interest of Butler College, Indianapolis, Indiana last year, traveled most of the time. I've not heard from him this year. Willis lived several years at Fairmount, Ind. Uncle John lived there too. It was there that uncle John was accidentally killed when a monument he was helping to unload from a freight car fell upon him, killing him instantly. Willis lived there a few years after uncle John's death and then moved to Texas. He was in Texas the last I heard of him. Aunt Mary's home is in Fairmount. She spends the winters with Ida at Franklin. The other daughter, Amy, died a few years ago she was married but had no children. Willis had been married twice, has no children. Ida has three sons and two daughters. Herbert one son and one daughter. The undertaker you wrote of is either Herbert or Willis no doubt. Willis has a copy of our family tree.

Your father, (My uncle Will) had a brother Sam who died when young, three sisters, Catharine, Mary and Lizzie, two half sisters: Malissa and Retta.

I'll send you a copy of our branch of the family tree as soon as I have time to write it out. We can only trace to a young man John Buchanan who came to America a short while before the Revolutionary War began. He fought in the war. Married Mary Smith of Virginia. They had 13 children. One of those children was the grandfather of our grandfather Jackson Buchanan.

When you and Olive come to English perhaps you and I can help each other in trying to establish an interest in this big estate.

I understand that the man whose estate is to be settled was a brother of President James Buchanan.

Jennie Melton

January 17, 1932.
6241 Winthrop
Chicago, Illinois

Miss Olive Wilson
1608 South Center Street
Apt. #1
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Miss Wilson:

Re: Buchanan Estate

I secured your name and address some two months ago from Mrs. Jennie Melton of English, Indiana. Her grandfather and my grandfather's grandfather was Andrew Jackson Buchanan. My grandfather is James R. Head of English. I have done some investigating and will say that the matter looks promising. I have a connection in New York who is helping. I found a clan of Buchanans in Illinois with headquarters at Palestine and have found out information from them. One of them saw L.D. Buchanan six months ago. They claim that L.D. said that all Buchanans in this country are related and are in on this. They further stated that the wills said that all blood relation of the Buchanans are prospective heirs. That would include yourself as well as your mother.

I understood from Mrs. Melton that a Mortimer J. Buchanan of Terre Haute had sent his family history to L.D.B. through a Mr. Bradford of Cincinnati. Mr. L.D.B. also has a copy of the Illinois Buchanan family tree. He was supposed to have filed these claims in court but they have not heard what has been done. Have you proof that your claim has been filed? And Mr. Mortimer J. B. has he any definite information?

Last week I received a letter from Mr. L. H. Buchanan of Palestine which has got me very interested. If his information is correct it proves definitely that there is such an estate and that it is now in court. Such being the case all of us Indiana people should have our claims in and filed. It would be a shame to miss out on such an opportunity. By co-operation we may be able to do something. I am satisfied that the Buchanans in the east are trying to exclude the heirs out west. One hundred years ago when a distribution was made from this estate I am sure that our family which at that time would be the same as your lineage, never received anything. In all probabilities they did not know of it and the easterners got it all. L.D.B.'s research shows that we are entitled to a distribution. It will be hard to do anything with but it is worth a trial. A copy of the letter in part is as follows:

When you were here I promised you that if I obtained any definite information concerning the Estate that I would let you know. I think I have obtained some things of definite value. Official report of two petitions, one income tax and the other of the estate tax with information of their settlement. This gives the names of the three executors with the address of one of them and the name and address of the attorney in the matter. I will give you a copy of this for the opportunity to copy the Buchanan Records or genealogy you told me you knew of."

All of this looks to me like we may be able to do something yet in this matter. I will mail him a copy of the "Records" mentioned and will await his information with interest.

If you care to I would be glad to let you know the above mentioned names and addresses for the privilege of knowing what further information you and Mr. M.J.B. have with the view of co-operating in the matter of our cause.

Understand I am not an attorney or asking to handle any one's claim. I was raised in southern Indiana and consider myself a prospective heir. My only wish and aim is to co-operate in what I consider a worthy cause.

Awaiting your reply with interest, I am,

Yours respectfully,

Glen Head.

Feb. 3, 62.

Dear Miss Barbee, Your letter, forwarded to us from our Mattoon address answered today-We are spending the winter here and do not expect to return till April 1, Of course our files & notes are home. I had considerable correspondence with Dr. Philip Klein of State College, Pa., who has all Pres. Buchanan's letters & files & correspondence. So many letters indicating a close relationship with the Campbell family-but he did not know of George our Rev. ancestor till I told him. The ancestry of the Pres. is meager-but he sent me what I have in our book on the chapter on Buchanan. But George Buchanan's children all lived and died in southern Indiana mostly Jefferson & Ripley county. I have visited there, and a past registrar of the D.A.R. (a Miss----) I can't remember, sent me all George's children ~~xxx xxxxxxxxxx~~ & grandchildren but no such names appear among them I am sure as on Miss Wilsons chart.

There are many records in Ky. of Buchanan but none of them mine. Since John Buchanan m. Mary Smith in Virginia , I am wondering if the line could not have been of the John Buchanan in Virginia Rev. soldiers-considerably on records as he was an officer and awarded immense tracts of land in Va.-When we were traveling in Va. in 1956 we came upon this little town of Buchanan(its on the map) and even the bank was called Buchanan bank, which was named after him or his descendants. We have not studied the line at all and could not say if your John Buchanan was related to my George.

We own a copy of Tenn. Cousins by Ray and there are numerous records of Buchanans of Tenn. & Ky.-not mine however unless far back.

There are Buchanans in Arkansas a Rev. John Buchanan(of Virginia) was a minister of Cane Hill Presby. Church years ago. They really think he was something down there.but I believe they do not have his ancestry. Their son-in-law is dean of Uni. of Arkansas of Fayetteville Ark- and I have read about him and Juanitas says they really brag about being descended from him.

I have several records of Bushanans lines at home-people ~~xxxx~~ have sent us-I wish I had them here. But why dont you write for the record of John Buchanan's children-Rev. soldier to Richmond Va. State Library? Perhaps you'll get a clue.

Start a process of elimination on Buchanans? Thats the way I do Mrs. Clark Boyd R F D 5 Shelbyville Ky. is a genealogist-I have had some correspondence with her-She is not expensive.

Also write Mrs Logan Gover, Western Avenue, Mattoon, Ill., as she made some trips over in Indiana on a Buchanan line(not mine).

I believe George my ancestor had a brother Archibald but the name does not appear in any of our lines. I wish I could be of help and if there is anything I can do this spring please write me at home.

It was nice to hear from you. And I'll be asking Ursula if you ever got the line thru-Altho she is so awfully busy.

Sincerely,
Marguerite(Buchanan) Brown

~~Could you get the Regent's name in Madison? I~~
~~xxxx~~

Paoili, Indiana
R.R. #1
Sept. 2, 1958

Dear Miss Barbee,

The Post master passed your letter on to me being as I was Samuel H. Buchanans daughter before I married. Samuel & Lydia were first cousins.

Lydia passed away a few years ago-about three I believe. She had gone to Indianapolis to make her home with Herbert Buchanan, who was Will Buchanan's son. He also was her cousin. I dont have Herbert's address but you might lean something from him.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Lillie Bennett

P.S. Lydia was John Buchanan's daughter. She also had a brother named John. He is dead & left no family.

J.R. Buchanan to Jesse Esrey-Jan. 30, 1835-Vigo county, Ind.

George Buchanan married Jane Russell in 1650

Children:

James
William
Archie
John

William b. 1754 wife unknown

Betty

James b. 6-6-1780 d. 4-24-1828-Rising Sun, Indiana
m. 2-12-1801-Anna Sturman

Archie or Samuel

George
William

George-Revolutionary Soldier m. Esther Campbell

b. 1721-York County, Pennsylvania

d. near Madison, Indiana 1818

Buried McLaughlin Cemetery

John Paul D.A.R.-Jefferson Church Cemetery

Mary-1764-George Benefiel

Harriet-1768 McLaughlin

Margaret-1770-John Cowan

William-1771

David-1774

Wilson-1775

John-1778

Above collected by Mr. A.B. Wycoff, Batesville, Indiana.

Genealogy of Mortimer J. Buchanan, of Terre Haute, Indiana.

Beginning with,

William Buchanan, date of birth verified with records of Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania, born 1754. (Tradition relates he went to Tennessee to his son William and he died there in 1832. One record says 1828). William, was a Revolutionary Soldier of Cumberland Co., Pa.

Children of William Buchanan were:

Betsy, James, Samuel or Archibald, George and William;

James was born June 7, 1780, died in Rising Sun, Ind., April 24, 1828, married Anna Sturman Feb. 12, 1801.

Anna Sturman was born July 16, 1784, She died-----

Children of James Buchanan were:

James, Samuel, George, John, William, Charlotte, Permelia, Matilda, Mary, Patty, Eliza, Catherine.

George Buchanan was born in Virginia, Nov. 29, 1806. Married Maria Girard, who was born 1812, died July 8, 1850. He married Hannah Higbee, born Ohio County, Indiana 1816. Died in Ohio Co., in 1865. Married-----

Children of George Buchanan and Maria Girard were:

Reece, William Sturman, Harriet, Pleasant, James, Cornelius, George Washington, Winfield, and Perry.

William Sturman Buchanan was born in Switzerland County, Ind. Nov. 24, 1832. Married Lucinda Stewart Jan. 16, 1856. Lucinda Stewart was born Jan. 31, 1837. She died April 18, 1899. He died Jan. 6, 1916.

Children of William and Lucinda Stewart are:

Margaret Ann, Clarence Eugene, Edna Jane, Mortimer J., George, Sarah, Walter, Lizzie, William Pritchard, and Lotty M.

Mortimer J. Buchanan married Rose Kiser.



INDIANAPOLIS

27 August

1958



This Certifies That the official records of which I am the lawful custodian, on file in this office show that Wm. S. Buchanan

joined for duty and was
enrolled as a Pvt. of Company (F), 50th
Regiment Indiana Volunteers, at Crawford Co., Indiana on

the 1st day of October 1861 by Capt. Hungate

and that he was duly mustered into the Military
Service of the United States, at Camp Morton, Ky. on the 31st

day of December 1861 for the term of 3 (three) years, by
Lt. Col. Heffen Mustering Officer

Age: 18 Eyes: Black Hair: Dark Height: 5ft 8 3/4 in

Complexion: Dark Nativity: Henry Co., Ky. Occupation: Farmer

Mustered out at Indianapolis, Indiana January 5, 1865

This Certificate is given as official evidence of enlistment, service and

muster out

of Wm. S. Buchanan

Company F 50th Regiment Indiana Volunteers

Witness my hand and official seal.

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- BUCHANAN ESTATES -



Mrs. Nora Buchanan
1522.5 Ave,
Terre Haute,
Ind.

445 N. Adams St.
Knightstown,
Ind.

Knightstown, Ind.
May 17, 1952

Dear Aunt,

I expect you think I am never going to answer your letter. I intended to, but I didn't have the information you wanted. I thought Ethel would know, so I wrote and ask her. She didn't answer for a long time, then she forgot to answer my questions. At last I can tell you what you asked. Uncle Jim's daughter Cora Buchanan, married Harry Barber. They are both living and live at N. Madison, Ind. Roy and Grace his two other children are both gone. Roy's wife Mattie lives at Canaan.

Aunt Ellen Buchanan who married a Whitham had a daughter named Lulu, she married a Brinson. They lived close to my sister Tracy in the Hicks neighborhood. They have both passed away. Perhaps the reason they did not hear from Cora is because they had her name wrong, because it is Barber not Brinson. But Lulu Brinson was also their cousin.

I hope this finds you well. I don't feel very good. I am bothered with arthritis in my wrists and ankles. I have two more weeks of school. I will be glad when over

it is over. We have a garden. It would
grow better if it would get warm. I think
I would feel better too. How is Kesta? and
your other children? I see Loma Risk quite
often. Whenever you come to Knightstown you
must come and see me.

Love & Best Wishes

Daisy Bovard.

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PROGRESS TOWARD CLOSING THE ESTATES.

Buchanan Estates to a point where they will receive large awards, and has done so without asking or expecting anything in the way of remuneration except his just and equal share of the estate.

The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

A Paper of Facts----As We Know Them

Vol. 1

Oilton. Oklahoma, Monday, October 10, 1932

No. 1

It is common knowledge that there are hundreds of enemies to any cause whether good or bad, and it is also common knowledge that anything not worth fighting for is not worth having, so we progress to the matter in which we are all vitally interested, The Buchanan Estate. This means to gain possession of same and what is being done about it. Everyone looks to L. D. Buchanan's work to produce the desired miracle of settling this Estate out of Court and without any financial outlay on their part. This is one of the big mistakes of your life. Go to any reliable attorney or Judge in the U. S. and ask them if such a settlement must not come through court. an administrator appointed and the regular requirements of law met, and they will tell you that there is no other way such an Estate can possibly be handled.

That puts a little different complexion on the matter doesn't it? All claims will have to be recognized by the said court as **Legal before you will get a cent,** (please remember that).

Neither The Buchanan Clan, or any individual can say that any claim will be paid but **The Court. L. D. Buchanan is not the Administrator for the Estate. Never was,** and to my opinion, would not be under any condition, but is only interested as an individual the same as you and I are. He will tell you this if you only ask him.

There is no one in the U. S. who knowingly wishes to cast any reflection on

the work of L. D. Buchanan. Those that do are merely imbeciles and have never talked to him for they will know at once that he is the spirit of sincerity itself. There are any number of people who like to do a lot of mudslinging and they do not care who it hits.

Many are making all kinds of statements against the work of the Clan and let me say right here that there is **not one** of these who will be man enough to put into this work the money, time, and effort that I have. Some dirty, yellow backbiters make the assertion that the Clan is not interested in settlement of the Estate and that I use the "uncle" in reference to L. D. for slick sales talk, etc. Now if these parties are so good suppose we put them in here at this office for one month and they make the sacrifices that I have and the cash outlay and see how good they are and how much Buchanan blood flows in their veins. I'll guarantee you that they will see a lot of things differently.

Anyone who objects to organization of our family under the Buchanan Clan principle is either crooked or ignorant, and neither is excusable. It is a well known fact that some men on the west coast make statements they cannot possibly back up, witness the recent trip to Houston where certain loud speakers were glad to write letters of apology. No names are necessary as those involved know the details as well as I do.

All this uproar will get us no where. The fact remains that small bodies working at cross purposes, and allowing jealousies to come in can only cause trouble and delay and in the end we all lose. I can tell the world that there is not and never will be any glory to those who have given so much to try to help all, for this is the most thankless job that any man or woman ever had. Instead of trying to co-operate, the ones helped to get their papers straight will knock you. They don't even remember to send a stamp for reply half the time and want an answer to their questions by return mail. If you think I am exaggerating, come to my office any time and I will let you see for yourself. People seem to think that I can operate this office. pay rent, printing, help, office supplies, etc., and also for their stamps after the cost of their letter has averaged ten cents or more. Where is this money coming from? Do memberships in the Clan take care of it?

Not by a long ways. J. H. Buchanan has been out just \$568.63 cash besides all the time and living expenses since February 1, 1932, and I have the records to show it. Where do I get the money? You ask?—Ans., I have just recently cashed out my compensation certificate \$473.00 to meet the deficit of our treasury. Can any **ONE** of you ever honestly say that I have personally asked for a cent for the services I have tried to give?

What profit can the Great Intelligent Gentleman get out of this? I am sure that many of you have been displeased with me, and I am not infallible. also my nerves are sometimes strained to the breaking point. So if I write you a "scorcher" sometimes, please forget it as I am not always able to write as I should; after all we are all nu-

man and I'm sure that if you could meet me here in my office you would have a better understanding of things as they are.

In the finale let me say that these people who are always on the inside are a big joke for they are not better informed than you and not always as well.

The Buchanan Clan has never made a charge for the handling of claims and no one is forced to take up membership to have their claims handled by us. What can be fairer than that? Does this strike you as being a money making proposition?

Any one taking up membership must do so of their own free will without any strings to it. Those who are not financially able to pay the full amount may send in their application with One Dollar (\$1.00) and pay the rest as it is possible then when the full amount is sent in their certificate can be issued.

Organization means concerted effort and that is the only real solution to our problems.

REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATIONS OF
The Buchanan Heirs Association

From June 10th to December 31st, 1934

By C. S. Powell, President

For the Month of January, 1935

By R. C. Brinson, President

Bulletin No. 9

Madison, Indiana

We regret that a few of the members have been impatient for this report. If the findings of our investigation had been more assuring, it would have been possible to have given out the information as it was received. The Buchanan Heirs Association was organized to learn the truth about the supposed-to-be Buchanan Estate. You will realize when you read the contents of this report, that if we had given out as we received each item, that it would have been hardly possible to know the truth—the members would have dropped out. We wanted to know the truth, and so we decided to wait until we had verified or disproved the last rumor or tip and then make our report. This will be a detailed report. We ask every member of the Association, from coast to coast, to do three things: 1. Read the report. 2. Tell us what you think of the Buchanan Estate. 3. Tell us what you would like done next.

We would like to present first, the announced evidence of the Buchanan Estate:

The following is a complete summary of the investigation of the Buchanan estate compiled.

Starting with a history of the Estate all information concerning the various Buchanans, their lives, deaths, property, monies, holdings of various kinds, marriages and inter-marriages, in fact a complete record will be found in the following pages.

William Harrison Buchanan came to America with his father and mother, two brothers and one sister, approximately in the year 1749. His brother was James Buchanan, the youngest of the family. The other was Thomas Buchanan. His sister was Elizabeth Buchanan, who died at the age of 89 years, having married once and had no children. James Buchanan settled in Mercer County, Penn., after the Revolutionary War. His son, James, Jr., was the 15th President of the United States, and a nephew of William Henry Harrison Buchanan.

Thomas Buchanan settled in Maryland and had a large family. William Henry Harrison Buchanan settled, joined the Revolutionary forces and served the duration of the war, being cited for bravery and promoted from private to Lieut. Col. He married early in life and was the father of four children, Nancy and Elizabeth were the girls and John and William were the boys. He was given a large grant of land in Pennsylvania for his service during the war. He thought more of his Pennsylvania land than his New York properties, which consisted of 60 acres on Long Island, and 100 acres in and about what is now known as New York City, so he leased his New York holdings for a period of 99 years. He received one team of horses, a wagon, three sacks of corn, two hogs and three hundred dollars in

gold. He then moved his family to Pennsylvania in Mercer County and settled on his government land grant, near his brother James. He lived there for many years and prospered, being interested in a great many enterprises, all of which seemed to bring him wealth. During this period of time he had completely disregarded his New York holding, and was unaware for a long time of the growing valuation of this property. Finally after living in Pennsylvania for approximately 30 years, he got word that his New York properties had greatly advanced in valuation and tremendous in its proportions, knowing that he would not live to see the outcome of his gigantic accumulations, he made a will bequeathing after 99 years more after his death, all his New York and other properties, namely 42 estates, to be divided equally among all living heirs of direct blood descendency. He died in Mercerville, Pa., in the year 1831 at the age of 92 years.

Several years after his death the heirs who knew about this estate, tried to break the New York lease, but were unsuccessful. During all this period of time, up to the time the New York leases ran out, these properties had been growing in valuation, with large buildings, etc., being erected on these properties, through a series of leases and sub-leases so far had the process of building on the lands been promoted, that is seemed impossible to ever reclaim this estate for the heirs. But certain heirs who, at the time of the expiration of the leases still knew about the William Henry Harrison estate, journeyed to New York, and after a spirited fight in all the courts, Kings, Suffolk and Queens Counties, won the United States Supreme Court decision in favor of the heirs at \$.75 on the dollar of the affunded valuation, which at the time was over one hundred million dollars, 1881. This was the New York holdings. The Court decision gave specified time for the money to be paid into a trust fund and kept intact there until the expiration of the time allowed in the aforesaid will of William Henry Harrison Buchanan. The accumulated interest to be compounded and likewise added to the principal. Trustees were appointed by the Supreme Court of Kings and Suffolk Counties, where the majority of the estate was located, and it was specified in the decision that the fund was to be kept intact for distribution within the period of 18 months after the opening of the 99 year will, which will come due on May 19, 1930.

Anyone is an heir to the Buchanan Estate provided he can trace his lineage back to Thomas O'Bokne who lived in Ireland the year of 1136. The family was Irish until the 13th Century when one of them was given a grant of land by the King of Eng-

land. The grant of land was called "Buchanan" and was in Sterlingshire, Scotland. The family changed their name from O'Bokne to Buchanan to agree with the name of their property, a practice which was more or less common in those days. The first Buchanan came to America in 1648 and a good share of the Buchanan clan decided to come in a body about 100 years later. At this time the entire clan with the exception of about 10% were in America. It was the practice of the clan for the head of the family to leave one-third of his personal property to his eldest son upon his death, the remainder was turned over to the clan treasury. When the clan came to America they brought all their holdings with them and started investing in American real estate. The most of the family seemed to be in the shipping business both in Scotland and America. Our ancestor is James Buchanan, who was one of the sons, five in number, of George Buchanan. James was born in the vicinity of Edinburg around the year 1740. All five brothers came to America at the same time but James returned to Scotland and took his sister with him. She died in the return voyage.

Mr. L. D. Buchanan has the original bill of sale given by the Indians at the time they sold Long Island to a man by the name of Manette. It is framed and hanging on the wall of his home. Manette sold Long Island to another man whose name we do not know. The third sale of Long Island was made by this party to George Buchanan, one of the five brothers of whom James, our ancestor, is one. George Buchanan bought Long Island for \$365,000. The money being from the Buchanan treasury. The purchase was made in 1794.

This property was leased by the Buchanans for a period of 99 years for a cash consideration, payable in advance. This means the lease of these pieces of property could have the lease for the same period of 99 years by making one cash payment at the beginning of the contract. The cash involved at the time was used by the members of the clan as they saw fit. These leases began to expire in 1923.

A great many of them have been released for a period of 99 years. The most of the money which has been accumulated to the credit of the Buchanan Estate, at the present time is the result of the cash payments made since the leases began to expire, and is for the second term of 99 years.

At about the year 1820 the heads of the 182 families comprising the Buchanan clan, each made a will leaving one-third of their property to the families and two-thirds to the clan. Wills were alike with the exception of the property they covered which was of course different in each case. One will, of William Buchanan was much larger than the others. This is the will that is being worked out at the present time. When the first cash settlement is made we will each receive our share of the will. This is the only one referred to in the newspaper article which mentions approximately \$850,000,000.

James Buchanan, the president, was at one time the head of the clan, which position Mr. L. D. Buchanan now holds. He has a letter written to Geo. Buchanan by the president stating that in his opinion the Buchanan Clan at the end of the 99 years would control the money market of the United States.

(The author of the foregoing summary of Buchanan information is not known to the parties making this report. Neither do we certify to the truth of any of said summary. It has been circulated to Buchanans throughout the country, and has created a confidence in the Buchanan Estates, and we present it as a working basis in our effort to learn the truth about the Buchanan Estate.)

To the mass of information circulated concerning a Buchanan Estate is the tradition of such an estate handed down from generation to generation in Buchanan families. All has created a great confidence in the Buchanan Estate. A confidence so great, in fact, that many will be unwilling to accept any evidence which is contradictory to the existence of the estate. That has been the experience of most of us—we have tried to explain away any evidence that seemed to destroy our fondest dreams of sharing in the estate. Several months ago the heirs in many sections of the country became restless because promises remained unfulfilled, and they were given no reason for it. They began by gathering, just as heirs, and talking the thing over. The result of these gatherings was the organizing of The Buchanan Heirs Association, their constitution adopted as a whole on July 1, 1934, with a purpose to learn the truth about the supposed-to-be Buchanan Estate. The officers of the Association assisted by many helpful members, worked zealously with but one purpose, to know the truth about the Buchanan Estate. Because of an unusual confidence in the estate, the work has often been very trying. We have been compelled to stand on the evidence gathered, to try to find the truth. So many people have wanted to be fed on fairy tales. It was pleasant to dream of wealth. And any evidence that did not support that dream, has been rejected by many. But true to our purpose to learn the truth, we accepted no information as true until it was first verified as true. We are not even now presuming to decide for you that the Buchanan Estate is unreal, but we are going to give you a detailed report of our investigations. Then won't you write and tell us if you think we have served faithfully, and also tell us what you think about the Buchanan Estate, and tell us what you think should be done next.

The first objective of the Association was the organizing of the heirs. In a surprisingly short time approximately 2,500 heirs in 39 states of the union had been contacted, and a united force set out to accomplish the purpose of this Association. Approximately 3,000 bulletins have been sent out, and over 300 letters written in contacting these heirs, and approximately 7,500 miles have been

traveled in the securing of the information given here.

We wish now to present a detail report of the Houston trip, which according to the action of the officers on September 6, 1934, was made by Rev. C. S. Powell. There are a few personal touches to this report that were not given before, thinking they might be detrimental to future investigation. We feel now is the time for a complete report. Immediately upon arriving in Houston, Texas, as soon as we were located, we called at the Better Business Bureau of Houston. It required several phone calls and several personal calls to contact the manager. The manager told me he was under the impression the Postal Inspector had ordered L. D. Buchanan to cease using the mails. He said he thought L. D. Buchanan honorable, but laboring under a delusion. He also suggested I see the Postal Inspector. I made several attempts to see the Pastor of the ~~First Baptist Church of Houston, where L. D. holds membership.~~ After I had called several times, I made my mission known to the Church Secretary, who informed me their pastor was new, and that she could tell me more than the pastor as she had been there for a number of years. She spoke very highly of the entire family, and said the former pastor believed absolutely in L. D. Buchanan and the estate, before he died. Like the rest of us she was puzzled that nothing had happened. I then called at the office of the Postal Bureau of Inspection, but was informed their main office was at San Antonio and if they had any information they would write me. I may state I never heard from them. I called to see Mr. Gilbert, Supt. of Mails at Houston. He told me that Inspector Wallace had conducted an investigation. From evidence received they concluded there was nothing to the old man's claims, and that L. D. had signed an order for all his mail to be returned. (You will see a full copy of that agreement later in this report.) He suggested I write Inspector in Charge at Ft. Worth, Texas, which I later did, and had a report similar to that given by Mr. Gilbert. I called on the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and again the information was similar, as was the information given me at the Post Office Inspectors office in Houston. The interview with L. D. Buchanan himself was given in the bulletin of October 7, 1934, and is as follows: Points of evidence given—He said he was appointed genealogist for the Buchanan Estate by the courts of New York. As I recall he said the money was in the Morgan bank at Albany, N. Y., the Chase National Bank, the City National Bank, the Philadelphia National Bank, and he mentioned one other bank whose name I cannot recall. He said there are heirs in all the banks, unknown to the banks officials either as heirs or trustees, who were present in all bank meetings; that they were looking out for the interests of the estate. He said he holds a judgment from a New York court for \$70,000 for default. He also told me that recently there was a big meeting in New York of prominent men, on

from Scotland, and that he (L. D.) was invited, but was not able to go. He had not a report from that meeting when I talked with him, but he was very anxious for a report. He said settlement would have been made long ago if it had not been for the economic condition of the country, and the confusion caused by heirs, L. D. is quite a philosopher, he said this was just a mud puddle—if you keep stirring it, it will stay muddy, but if you quit stirring it will settle. He said court action is not needed to settle the estate as far as the approved heirs are concerned. He said there might be an heir whose line is irregular, that it might be necessary for court action to prove they were heirs. He said the checks will come unannounced, without any warning. It might be any time. He said he did not know where the instruction sheet signed by the Governing Board of the Buchanan Estate came from. He showed me a clipping from a Washington newspaper, with information about the purchase of an apartment building by trustees for the estate of James Buchanan for \$225,000. (That transaction has been verified, but the amount was \$285,000.) He said the Alexander Buchanan Estate in South Africa is part of this estate. He also told of the New Harlem half of Long Island as Buchanan property. He said the Government had given land grants to the Buchanans for service in the army, in New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri. I asked him about the reported check of Andrew Mellon; and he said, yes, that Andrew Mellon built a \$500,000 home for his daughter on Buchanan property. I found L. D. looking much better than I expected. L. D. said he had spent \$20,000 of his own money on this and had worked many years. We have a condensed report of that visit to contain only essential points.

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We return to consider the Summary of Investigations given above. The first point relates to a person reported in Summary as William Henry Harrison Buchanan. We quote:

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
Washington

Office of the Chief Assistant Librarian

Feb. 23, 1934.

(Addressed to one of our lady workers.)

Dear Madam:

Your letter of February 18, asking for the family record of "Alexander Buchanan who emigrated to the United States in 1777": The records of Buchanans have not been assembled in one volume or set of volumes so far as we know. Several books about some of them have been published, but none of those we have do we find record of an Alexander Buchanan who came over as early as 1777.

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Nor do we have, apparently, any record of "William Henry Harrison Buchanan who emigrated to the United States in 1749". (That date, 1749, by the way, is apparently rather early for one whose given names are exactly those of the first President Harrison, who was born 25 years later.)

Very truly yours,
Fred W. Ashley,

Chief Assistant Librarian.

(Note: The asterisks indicate there has been omitted a portion of the letter not bearing on the point.)

If you will check dates referred to in letter, it seems the person this estate is supposed to have its origin with, will hardly coincide.

Many individual geneologies contain the names of John Buchanan and Jane Russell. We quote from the Library of Congress at Washington as follows: "The Buchanan Book" traces the ancestry of James Buchanan, fifteenth President of the United States; descendant of John Buchanan of Gartincaber who was born in 1545. That line contains no William who lived in the United States. The President's grandfather was John Buchanan of County Donegal, Ireland, who married Jane Russell and had issue as follows: (1) James, b. 1761, emigrated to U. S. 1783, m. Elizabeth Speer, 1788; he died 1821, leaving issue:

1. James (15th President of U. S.) b. 1791, died unmarried 1868.
 2. William Speer, died s. p.
 3. George W., died s. p.
 4. Rev. Edward Young, m. Ann Elizabeth Foster, 1833, and had issue.
- (2) John, who died in Ireland.

This quotation from the Library of Congress reveals evidence damaging to many family trees. It is hardly possible to connect the founder of this supposed-to-be estate.

According to the above Summary, L. D. Buchanan is now head of the Clan. The following agreement was made by L. D. Buchanan with the government according to the confirmation from Washington which follows:

State of Texas S.S.
County of Harris

Personally appearing this day L. D. Buchanan, who, first being duly sworn states:

I am sixty-eight years of age and reside at 1020 East Twenty-eighth Street, Houston, Texas. Several years ago I became interested in an estate which I was told belonged to William Buchanan and of whom I am a direct descendant. This estate, according to the information I had, covered certain property and land in the business section of New York City which involved several other states. (This last sentence corrected in the verification.)

My interest in this matter was such that I made considerable investigation, and during the course of my investigation I dealt with Mr. O. W. Reeves, an attorney at Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Reeves is now deceased, and shortly after his death I obtained some papers from his records but other papers were taken by some other person whose name I do not know. The evidence I have obtained caused me to believe that there is an estate and that possibly I am one of the heirs. However, I have no positive evidence and no legal records which would establish beyond question my right

to the estate.

I am not financially nor physically able to carry on the work necessary to clear up this estate, in the event it could be cleared up, and I do not feel that the evidence I now have is sufficient to warrant such an undertaking on my part. Several months ago the newspapers throughout the country started publishing articles representing that I was in possession of full and valuable information tending to show that hundreds of heirs of the Buchanan Estate were scattered throughout the United States and that the Buchanan Estate, which had not been properly handled, was valued at some \$850,000, 000. The publication of this kind of propaganda has caused a large amount of mail to be received by me and has been responsible for hundreds of people coming from every part of the United States to visit me at Houston.

They have also furnished numerous family records, etc., tending to establish their family tree and to prove that they were legal heirs to the Buchanan Estate. The money that I have accepted as result of all this has been a very small amount. I have never in my letters which were written, nor have I in the newspaper articles published by my direction or consent, asked for any money to carry on this work. In a few isolated cases I have accepted small sums of money but the amounts accepted by me were not sufficient to pay the expense I have incurred in my work.

I am now old and in feeble health and do not feel that I should longer interest myself in this work, nor do I believe that I should attempt to answer all letters received in connection with this affair. I am this day voluntarily making a request of the Postmaster at Houston, Texas, to mark all mail received for me. "Refused" and to return it to the senders. I am so agreeing to discontinue all operations in connection with this affair and will not accept any money from any person hereafter. It is my intention to give the newspapers sufficient information upon which to base articles for publication which will notify the Buchanan heirs that I am not carrying on a campaign nor soliciting funds for any further prosecution of any claims involved in the Buchanan Estate.

Signed—L. D. Buchanan.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Houston, Texas, July 3, 1931.

Signed—Hugh Wallace.

The verification:
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
Office of the Chief Inspector
Washington

Oct. 24, 1934.

Rev. C. S. Powell,
Pres., The Buchanan Heirs Association,
412 Baltimore St., Madison, Ind.
My Dear Mr. Powell:

Answering your letter of Oct. 18, 1934, you are informed that the enclosed copy (given above) is similar to the agreement executed by L. D. Buchanan, Houston, Texas, except that the last part of the first

paragraph reads as follows:

"This estate, according to the information I had, covered certain property and land in the business section of New York City which involved Lower Broadway near the Battery. The estate is also said to have covered lands in Tennessee, Pennsylvania, and probably several other states."

Should evidence be received that the agreement has been broken, it is probable that our investigation would be resumed.

Sincerely yours,

Signed—K. P. Aldrich,

Chief Inspector.

There has also been circulated a "Buchanan Record", consisting of various actions of courts from all over the country. Our investigators report that not a single item stood the test of investigation.

We report the check-up on one of them. All others fell by the wayside likewise.

Clerk of the Supreme Court of

North Carolina,

Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I have in my possession a copy of a decision in your Court as follows: North Carolina Supreme Court, 1882, Vol. 26, Page 565. "William C. Richardson and John C. Rogers, Trustees for David L. Buchanan, vs. Pennsylvania Lakeshore and Canal R. R., L. S. and C. R. R., agree that properties held by them under leases were owned by appellant and that although extensive structures had been erected since leases had been taken over, this property was still the possession of the appellant and that he was entitled to all moneys now due as stated in the original leases."

Now, sir, if the quotation above is correct will you please sign your name to the following: The above quotation is verified as correct, by,

(Name) (Office or title)

(Date)

The reply:

SUPREME COURT OF

NORTH CAROLINA

Edward Murray, Clerk

Raleigh

Oct. 19, 1934.

Rev. C. S. Powell,

412 Baltimore St., Madison, Ind.

My Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith your certificate. Volume 26 of the North Carolina Reports has no such page as 565, and the year 1882 is reported in Volume 86.

Yours very truly,

Signed—Edward Murray, Clerk.

We wrote again to see if the record quoted was found in Volume 86, and had a reply: "There is no such citation in the Volume mentioned."

Signed—Edward Murray.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief Inspector

Washington

Aug. 3, 1933.

Mr.

Centralia, Ill.

My Dear Mr.:

If you or Mrs. of Petalume, California, whose statement accompanied your letter, will furnish us with correspondence sent through the mails by J. W. R. Bradford or others in which alleged heirs of the "estate" are asked to contribute, the matter will be given careful consideration.

Signed—K. P. Aldrich, Chief Inspector.

Contact was made with some of the banks referred to above. We report:

THE CHASE NATIONAL BANK

of the City of New York

New York

Sept. 22, 1931.

John A. Burns, Vice-President,

Mr.,

Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr.:

Answering your inquiry of the 18th concerning the estate of William Buchanan, we have no records of any such estate in New York and no knowledge of it.

We have received a number of inquiries somewhat similar to yours from various sections of the United States and Canada with reference to this estate, and recently the New York Times carried two articles concerning it which states that the Probate Courts of New York County and Queens County has been flooded with such inquiries. The articles also stated that the Surrogate Office made a searching examination of their records over many years, and found no decedent of this or a similar name, nor was there any large estate of anyone named Buchanan.

Signed—Jno. A. Burns, Vice-Pres.

We also have a report from our investigator in Louisville, Kentucky, under date of January 22, 1935, who made investigations in the banks in New York City, and returned the same information as given in letter above.

We contacted ex-president Herbert C. Hoover and asked concerning many reported bits of information supposed to come from him. We have his reply:

HERBERT HOOVER

Oct. 9, 1934.

Dear Sir:

Except in appeals for information, I have never heard of the Buchanan Estate. I have never made such a statement as has been suggested by you. And I believe the entire business is a fraud on poor and ignorant people.

Yours faithfully,

Signed—Herbert Hoover.

Early in October, 1934, we received exciting information about activities in Nashville, Tennessee. No attention was paid to it until similar reports started coming from other parts of the country. We went to Nashville about the middle of November. The account of the trip was given in the December bulletin. We contacted twelve people. For the most part they were as fine people as one would want to meet. It will be sufficient for this report to say the people at Nashville were very hopeful and enthusiastic about the Buchanan Estate. We regret however the conclude after our

investigation that misinformation prevailed. Their hope centered in the supposed-fact that the Government office at Nashville had taken the matter over and was settling the estate. We were received at the Department of Justice in Nashville in very cordial manner. We were informed that their office had nothing to do with such things as estates or funds, but dealt only with criminal and civil wrong doing. In line with that we quote a clipping from a Nashville newspaper: Heading, "G" Men On Spot As Heirs To Mythical Estate Flock Here. The myth of the Buchanan Estate has been given another rude jolt, this time by the department of justice here. They want it definitely understood that they are not "paying off the heirs" of the "estate", would have no jurisdiction if there was such an estate, and to the best of their knowledge there is no Buchanan Estate. Inquiries of late, inspired by some person erroneously circulating the information that the "gee men" are paying off claimants, have become numerous, that form letters have been made up denying the rumors, and are being mailed to persons who have written to the office here. Along with the form letters, the government agents are sending back voluminous documents purporting to establish legal claims to the estate which have been sent to the department here with the inquiries. At least two heirs have traveled hundreds of miles from their homes in other states to come here to press their claims before the justice agents in the belief that the estate would be settled before the end of 1934. One middle-aged "heiress" traveled up from Atlanta, lugging a huge brief case packed with documents of all descriptions, tracing her lineage and "proving her claim to a share in the estate". She was told politely that the justice department knew nothing about the Buchanan Estate. Another man came here from Dallas, Texas, with a similar array of papers to establish his claim. Letters have poured in from states throughout the south and south-west. One such letter included an elaborately drawn "family tree". Where the report started that the justice men are going to pay off the heirs has not been traced yet.

From Nashville we went to Chattanooga, Tennessee, to call upon heirs there. Here we met Mrs. Myrtle Breneman a sister of L. D. Buchanan. After a quite extensive visit, she invited us back to spend the evening. Mrs. O. W. Reeves, the widow of L. D. Buchanan's former attorney, and Mr. J. D. McGuire were invited there for the evening also. Mr. McGuire claims to be an heir. And now we are ready to pass on the "Confidential Information". Mrs. Breneman after apparently checking up on us, said together we could work a plan in confidence which would bring about settlement. But that the whole thing must be kept secret. Because she was the sister of L. D. Buchanan we decided it was the best chance anyone ever had, and so we promised to keep the information and plan confidential. She said L. D. needs a lawyer. That he had three lawyers at different times, thinking that he

could trust them, but they immediately tried to get his papers way from him, and he quit them cold. She said, "Now you have seen L. D. and talked to him, and you know what kind of a man he is." She said, "Now you get the lawyer, and I'll produce L. D. and the papers." She also said at one time she had all L. D.'s papers in the possession and since L. D. said in his agreement with the government that some of the papers had been stolen, we jumped at the conclusion that the reason settlement had not been made, was that L. D. did not have the necessary papers to bring about a settlement, and that Mrs. Breneman might be able to help produce settlement. So the agreement was entered. We came home thinking of the possible expense of carrying it out. Mrs. Breneman said we would have to get a lawyer who was willing to work WITH L. D. and that they would have to prepare papers to correspond to the papers L. D. filed in New York, and take them to New York to match these papers with those in New York, and that then settlement would be made. We made an appeal for funds. Knowing such a program would take more money than we had previously needed. Several letters passed between Mrs. Breneman and me. We were assured everything was working out alright. We secured an able attorney in Cleveland, Ohio, who was acceptable to Mrs. Breneman and her advisers. Then on December 30, 1934, we received a telegram from Mrs. Breneman at Chattanooga saying: "Ready to leave anytime you want me to". We replied immediately by wire: "Come at once. Shall we meet you anywhere? When will you arrive. How many are coming? Reply." Let me inject here that although we did not have the money sufficient to carry out what we expected to do, yet the Association had always stood by us, and we felt they would now, and so we started operation of the plan in faith. We had another wire from Mrs. Breneman at Chattanooga, Dec. 31, 1934, saying, "If you wire me fifty dollars tonight by Western Union, can meet L. D. in Memphis tomorrow. Leaving Chattanooga about 6:30 a. m. and come to Madison from there. Answer immediately by Western Union." We wired Mrs. Breneman the fifty dollars by Western Union Dec. 31, 1934, with the following message: "If coming by train wire. Will meet you in Louisville. Answer by Western Union." Mrs. Breneman wired us from Chattanooga, Jan. 2, 1935: "I am leaving today Southern arriving 9:20 tonight." We met the said train at Louisville and to our surprise Mrs. Breneman was alone. She said, "I had to come alone. I had a 'special' from L. D. yesterday saying his wife was sick, that I should go on, and if everything was alright he (L. D.) would come as soon as he could get away." We were amazed. We told her we would go into the station and talk things over. She said she felt L. D. was on his way. Our curiosity was then running at full speed. But there was only one thing to do, and that was to give her the advantage of the doubt. We can look back

and see many things one could not see ahead. And so we came on to Madison. That was on a Wednesday night. The next morning she was supposed to send L. D. a message. She said she had to send it through a friend in Houston. When she had no reply by Saturday morning she said she knew L. D. was on his way, because if he had been home when her message got there he would have answered. About noon that Saturday she received a letter from Chattanooga. She said her baby fell and broke her arm. She left for Chattanooga as soon as she could which was 1:40 that Saturday afternoon, saying she knew L. D. was on his way; that she had everything arranged with him; and that perhaps she might have to come back next week. Most certainly things did not jingle to our liking. After several days we registered a letter to Mrs. Breneman asking her what she was going to do next, and that since nothing had been accomplished by her carrying out our agreed plan, that unless she had some definite plan we would expect her to return the money. This letter was received by Mrs. Breneman, but answered by her daughter, saying both her father and mother were bad sick, and her mother would write me as soon as able to see my letter. That is hard to reconcile with her signature for the registered letter. We next had a letter from Mrs. Boston, L. D. Buchanan's daughter saying they had just learned we expected her father up here, and that we had sent him \$40 to come on. But she said her father knew nothing of the plan, and that most certainly he did not receive one penny of the \$40. Mrs. Breneman told us while here in Madison that she had sent L. D. \$40 out of the \$50 so he would be sure to come. This matter has not been dropped, and has been turned over to the Federal Department of Justice for action. The members will realize we were deceived. That our part of the agreement was kept. And every effort will be made to protect the Association. We regret our hopes were dashed to pieces in such manner. One can look backward and see many inconsistencies. But because of the closeness to L. D. Buchanan we based our hopes.

Of course in view of evidence given previously in this report we might have expected such a termination. But we wanted to run down every tip and clew. Don't forget to do what we asked you to do at the first of this report.

DISBURSEMENT FOR DECEMBER, 1934 (Omitted in January Bulletin)	
Dec. 2—Hall Rent.....	\$ 2.00
Bulletins, Printing and Mailing.....	17.32
Dec. 5, 6—649 mile trip to Cleveland..	18.00
Telegrams—Total from Dec. 2, 1934 to Jan. 7, 1935.....	2.79
Dec. 31—Telegraphed Mrs. Breneman	50.00
Jan. 1, 1935—Stencil and Ink.....	.50
Jan. 1—Gasoline	1.00
Jan. 2—Gasoline	1.66
Jan. 7—Letterheads	3.25
	\$96.52

DISBURSEMENT FROM JANUARY 6 TO FEBRUARY 6, 1935	
Travel total mileage 294, 3c per mile..	\$ 8.82
Cashing checks, total.....	.21
Printing and Mailing Bulletins.....	11.92
Writing Paper	.30
Registered letter to Mrs. Breneman....	.21
Telephone call Indianapolis.....	1.05
Dinner for two.....	.75
Paid back to Mr. Powell— \$8.54 for error.....	8.54
	\$31.70

OFFERINGS JANUARY 6 TO FEBRUARY 6, 1935	
Jan. 9—Sarah E. Brinson.....	\$1.00
Jan. 9—North Vernon Unit.....	3.00
Jan. 15—Finley Ohio Unit.....	5.00
Jan. 16—W. H. Benefiel.....	5.00
Jan. 16—J. W. Cunningham.....	1.00
Jan. 16—Mrs. Mary E. Springer.....	.50
Jan. 17—Unit No. 118.....	7.00
Jan. 17—Mrs. E. J. Lyon.....	2.00
Jan. 18—Mrs. Lulu B. Scott.....	2.00
Jan. 18—C. W. Buchanan.....	1.00
Jan. 22—Lucy M. Powell.....	1.00
Jan. 23—Dessie M. Hochstetler.....	1.00
Jan. 24—Clayton W. Humfrey.....	1.00
Jan. 24—Allen Sample	1.00
Jan. 24—J. P. Baker.....	1.00
Jan. 29—Unit No. 47.....	5.00
Feb. 1—M. A. Smith.....	1.00
Feb. 4—Etta Beamer	1.00
Feb. 4—Roy S. Buchanan.....	1.00
	\$40.50

Any person or persons soliciting funds in the name of this Association are doing so without authority. We are positively not in need of funds.

President.

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Dear Policyholder:

Inclosed you will find a statement of the Indiana Mutual Fire and Cyclone Insurance Company for the calendar year 1930, also a statement as of July 31st, 1931. This statement shows the Company to be in a very prosperous condition.

You will also find an article headed "Of Interest to Every Mutual Policyholder." We believe this article is well worth your study, regardless of what Company carries your insurance. If the questions asked and suggestions made are followed we believe both fire and windstorm rates can be reduced.

The Company is now located in its own building at 2105 North Meridian Street in "INSURANCE BUILDING." The purchase of this property and removing into same, we believe will result in quite a saving to the Company which means a saving to every policyholder. You are invited to call at any time as this is the property of the policyholders. Any policyholder is always welcome in the office of the Company.

Very truly yours,

H. L. Nowlin

Secretary

HLN:S

The Buchanan Estates.

George Buchanan, Soldier of the Revolutionary war, who came to the state of Pennsylvania from Ireland among the early immigrants, who married a Scottish woman whose true maiden name to this affiant is unknown, about 1813 he came to Indiana Territory now known as Jefferson and Ripley Counties, deceased in the year of 1818, and is a direct descendant of the original Buchanan who left said Estates.

His children.

Wilson, deceased.
David, deceased.
William, deceased.
John, deceased.
Mattie, deceased.
Mary, deceased.
Sarah, deceased.

William Buchanan, born 1772.
Died 1840. wife unknown to this affiant, Their children were.

William H. deceased and living heirs.
And three unknown

William H. Buchanan born 1/2
1796. Died 1876.

First wife.

Janie Buchanan

Second wife

Nancy O'neil.

Their children were

First wife.

Elijah, deceased.
Harvey, deceased.
David, deceased.
George, deceased.

Second wife.

James M. deceased and living heirs.
Mary E. deceased.
Martha, deceased.
Samuel, deceased.
Robert, deceased.
Henry, deceased.
Lucinda, deceased.
Carrie, living and no heirs.
John, deceased.
Andrew, deceased.

Lucinda Buchanan

James Buchanan, father of President Buchanan, a native of County Donegal, Ireland. emigrated to the U. S. 1783. Married April 16, 1788, Elizabeth Speer who died at Greensburg, Indiana, May 14, 1833.

Benjamin McCarty Jr. Died Madison County, Iowa, June 28, 1865. A grandson living in 1927 in Lowell, Lake Co. Ind.

William Logan of near Lancaster married Jane Buchanana sister of the father of James Buchanan, President of the U. S.

Their daughter, Elizabeth Logan m. Enoch McCarty.

Their daughter, Caroline McCarty m James Heron and became the parents of Kate Heron of Connersville.

James Heron son of James Heron Sr and Barbara Kevan from Creetown, Scotland. A brother Alexander Heron in business at Baltimore had a daughter Elizabeth

Benjamin McCarty, R. S.

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MAY GET FORTUNE AFTER 99 YEARS



Eight hundred and fifty-two million dollars is considerable money, but Billy Spencer, 11, and his father, William E. Spencer of San Jose, Cal., some day expect to inherit a share of it. They lay claim to part of the fortune of William Buchanan, brother of President Buchanan, which has been protected against liquidation for the past century under a group of 99-year leases. When Buchanan died he left a will holding his estate unliquidated until the last lease expired, February 6, 1931. Some of his holdings, "farma lands," now front on Broadway, New York. Several descendants have filed claim. Spencer is a great grandson of Buchanan.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jasper Gaston Holt, who died Tuesday, were conducted at the Raymondville Church Sunday afternoon, exactly one week following the services for her husband. The services were conducted by Mrs. Ray Miles and burial was in Allen cemetery under the direction of Elliott's.

Mrs. Holt, 82, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wehr and was born at Barboursville, Indiana. When she was 15, she moved with her family to Raymondville where she spent 67 years of her life. She and Mr. Holt were married May 13, 1888. Her husband and one son preceded her in death.

Mrs. Holt was a pioneer mother and played an important part in the advancement of her community. She received great enjoyment in tracing her family tree. Her great grandfather, was a brother of James Buchanan, president of the United States. In 1930, she united with the

Presbyterian Church of Madison, Indiana, during a visit to her old home town.

For the past year, Mrs. Holt had been bedfast and had been cared for by a daughter, Myrtle, and a son, Frank, who lived in the home.

Other survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Gladys White, Houston; Mrs. Tressie Purcell, Mrs. Treva Holt and Mrs. Grace Damon all of Overland, Mo.; one son, Herbert, of Stroud, Okla., nine grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

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DESCRIPTION OF ESTATES.

The Buchanan Estates consist of 42 separate and distinct groups of real property, situated in New York and South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and other places and some minor stock holdings in several corporations. There were originally 108 wills left by the elder Buchanan, but Mr. L.D. BUCHANAN HIS ATTORNEYS were successful in finding and securing copies of only 42 wills, covering of 8000 pages of matter which were secured only by years of patient labor and a large expenditure of money on the part of L.D. Buchanan and his attorneys. These copies are now in their hands and in a secure place, and neither the contents of the wills nor their depository will be divulged. There have been hundreds of lawyers and others try every means from threats and browbeating to bribery to secure copies of these wills, but their efforts have been unavailing.

Mr. L.D. Buchanan has five attorneys assisting him who are some of the ablest and most prominent of legal talent of the nation, and all are descendants of the Buchanan blood, and will participate in the proceeds of the estate; for obvious reasons, he will not divulge their names. These attorneys have prepared a genealogical survey of the Buchanan family from the sixteenth century down to the present. They have a list of all living blood descendants, which is also kept in a secure place, and which is used to check the validity of claims. The real estate was leased on 99 years lease, most of which expired last year. The leases contained the usual provision ~~that~~ that all real property and improvements thereon reverted to the BUCHANAN ESTATES at the end of the respective leases.

The wills read that the estates at the end of the respective leases, are left to the living blood descendants of the Buchanan family, regardless of whether or not their ancestors were close kin, thus the descendants of any of the original Buchanan, though they may have been only distant cousins, share in the estate in equal shares, the wills read in that the proceeds are to be distributed share and share alike to all descendants.

The original Buchanan family consisted of three (3) brothers who emigrated from Scotland and Ireland to America early in the seventeenth century, and settled in Pennsylvania and Virginia from where they branched out. It is to their blood descendants that the estates are left, and L.D. Buchanan said that the number of them is between 1800 and 2000.

PROGRESS TOWARD CLOSING THE ESTATES.

Owing to the fact that each of the several estates consists of many parcels of property of each separate estate must be disposed of before that particular estate can be available for distribution to the heirs. It is probable that several years will lapse before the whole of the Buchanan Estates are finally distributed. L.D. Buchanan stated that one of the estates which involved property situated on Manhattan Island, New York City, is well along toward final settlement. An administrator for this estate had been appointed by the State of New York (Administrator to receive a total of 5% for administrator's fee.) He further stated that the administrator has sold all property contained in this one estate, with the exception of one parcel of terminal property and that a deal is now pending for the sale of or lease of this remaining parcel for the sum exceeding \$100,000,000 and that the administrator now has on deposit in New York banks and trust companies a sum slightly over \$887,000,000 which was derived from sale and lease of properties under this estate, and that will be ready for distribution to the heirs, and that in L.D. Buchanan's opinion this money will be ready for distribution finally before 1932.

Any one would on first thought, consider the entire matter merely a "fairy tale", but if one could listen as I did to clear cut logical, concise and positive statements of L.D. Buchanan, the estates are not idle dream. Certainly the Buchanan family owe a debt of gratitude to L.D. Buchanan for the labor and money he spent, for which he asks nothing; the least any member of our family can do is to simply comply with his requests and cooperate with him, and if there are Doubting Thomases who are inclined to consider the whole thing as a huge joke, let them also consider the fact that whatever has transpired has cost them not one penny and if they receive a nickel they will assuredly be no worse off than before. My opinion of L.D. Buchanan is that he is an honest, conscientious, deserving man, who in spite of many handicaps and obstacles has brought the matter of the

CLAIM V.S.BUCHANAN ESTATED.

Beginning with

GEORGE BUCHANAN .Soldier of the Revolutionary war. Tradition relates that he was born in 1716 ,married a Scottigh woman whose true maiden name is unknown to this affidavit. Came to the State of Pennsylvania,from Ireland,among the early emigrants.About 1813 he came to Indiana Territory,now known as Jefferson and Ripley Counties. Deceased in 1818 (dated varies) and is a direct descendent of the original Buchanan who left the said estates.

Children of George Buchanan were :
Wilson,David.William.,John ,Hett~~ts~~,Sarah,mary and Margaret,all desceased.

WILLIAM BUCHANAN . was born 1772 ,died 1845, wife unknown to this affidavit.

Children of William Buchanan were:

William H. ,Moses,Aaron,David,Wilson and Elizabeth,all desceased.

WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN was born July 22nd,1796 died in Jefferson County,March 8th 1876. He was married to Jane Buchanan, March 25th 1819

Children of William H.and Jane Buchanan were:
Luiza,John,Harvey ^Newton,Nancy Jane, George Washington,David Barrison.
H was married to Nancy O'Neale,October 10th 1833.

Children of William H. and ^Nancy O'Neale Buchanan were :

Mary Elizabeth,Martha Ann,ElizaEllen, Wm.Scott,James Madison, Samuel Claudius,Wm.Henry, Robert Calvin,Lucinda ,Caroline,Andrew 'Y', and John O'Neale. all are desceased except Caroline.

LUCINDA BUCHANAN, was born in Jefferson County ,February 21st 1851,and married to Charles Wehr October 10th,1870, Charles Wehr was born,March 8th,1846 at Niles,Ohio,Died December 26th,1921 and Lucinda Buchanan Wehr died July 26th.,1928..

Children of Charles and Lucinda Buchanan Wehr are:

Lee Norman	Born	March 12th	1872
Emmett	"	March 31st	1875
Maude	"	Sept 19th	1877
Caroline	"	Aug 23rd	1880
Kathrine	"	July 9th	1884
Theresa	"	Sept 18th	1887
Lloyd	"	Dec 16th	1890 (desceased)
Frank Walter	"	Jan 18th	1892(Desceased)

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF _____

I _____ do solemnly swear that the foregoing statements of my lineage from George Buchanan,born in 1716 contains a true showing of the line od descent and I make this affidavit for the p[ur]pose of establishing my ~~statutoryxxxxxxx~~ claim to my statutory or legal share in the distribution of the Buchanan Estates,

Subscribed and sworn to before me
This _____ day of _____ 1931

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

THE BUCHANAN HEIRS ASSOCIATION

Bulletin No. 5, Reporting Meeting held October 7, 1934, Versailles, Ind.

CHANGE OF PLACE OF MEETINGS.

It has become necessary to make a change in our plans. The President of the Association is pastor of two churches - one in Kentucky in addition to his Madison church. During the summer months the service at the Kentucky church is held early Sunday morning, but during the winter months it is held Sunday afternoon. For this reason your President could not attend meetings at Versailles during the next few months, and suggested arrangements be made for someone else to preside in his stead. The other officers suggested a change of place that the work go on unhampered. They accordingly decided to change the meeting place from Versailles to Madison, Indiana, in the court room at the Court house. And the meeting will open at 2:00 P.M. That the meetings may be attended by heirs from a distance the Madison Unit is arranging to furnish sleeping room for those unable to get back home the night of the meeting. For this accommodation the Madison people request that advance notice be given by those intending to stay. That we have your request at least by the day previous to the meeting. So heirs, plan to attend the meeting at Madison November 4th.

A WORD ABOUT LOCAL UNITS.

So many have asked about Membership cards. In the first place so many of the Local Units have not sent in the list of their local membership. We must have that before cards can be issued. Then cards - both Delegate and Membership will be issued according to your membership list. We have not been able to supply all members yet, as our supply of cards is exhausted. But your chairman of your Local Unit will receive your cards as soon as our supply is replenished. It is true beginning with the November meeting you will not be admitted without a card, but provision has been made to take care of any heir who for any reason does not have a card. Make your wants known to the door keeper.

SECRETARY'S NOTES.

The Buchanan Heirs Association met Sunday Oct. 7th. at 1:30 P.M. at the Court House in Versailles, Ind. Meeting called to order by Mr. Powell. Formal reports were adopted. The financial report indicated receipts as follows: Jesse Flemming \$1.00; R. L. Fullerton \$1.00; Jas. Calhoun \$2.00; \$2.00 turned in by Mrs. D. L. Buchanan that was sent to her; J. Bernadine Custer \$1.00; T. M. Buchanan \$5.00; Mrs. Mary G. Manning \$5.00; Herman Whittaker \$1.00; Miss Luella Whittaker \$1.00; Lon Whittaker \$1.00; Lide S. Medaris \$5.00; Rev. M. I. Powell \$1.00; Mrs. Ella Pea \$1.00; L. C. Beckett \$1.00; Edward W. Hartman \$2.00; Burhl Bower \$1.00; Rushville Unit No. 41 \$1.65; Mrs. Ida Eckles .10; Wm. F. Garrett \$1.00; Mrs. Sarah E. Gullion \$1.00; Mrs. Chas. Gearhart \$1.00; Mrs. Edna Beecher \$1.00; and Mrs. Hugh Yoder \$5.00. Total \$41.75. Disbursements: Stamps \$1.56; Paper for bulletins \$2.25; Stencils and ink .60; Envelopes (stamped) \$9.83; Travel \$76.61; Court record \$2.00. Total \$92.85. A balance at the first of the month of \$86.00 plus \$41.75 received is \$127.75 less expenditures of \$92.85 leaves a balance of \$34.90 plus \$36.22 offering at last Sundays meeting, gives us a cash balance of \$71.12.

Now, talking about finances. We have plans for investigation that is being delayed because of funds. We are pressing matters as fast as funds will permit. We appeal to all heirs to give us your financial cooperation to the greatest extent possible. We are leaving you set the amount. And yet we are anxious to finish what we set out to do - learn the truth about the Buchanan Estate. It is your business as well as ours; we are working for your interest, but we need your continued cooperation to finish the task. We have every reason to believe we do have your cooperation, but we are temporarily delayed. Please give this matter your serious consideration, and then let us hear from you by return mail.

REPORT OF HOUSTON TRIP.

September 12 to 20, 1934.

It was a 2444 mile trip. It took 43 hours on a limited train each way. Cotton pickers, Rice cutters, and peanut diggers were in evidence along the southern part of the trip and palm were growing wild, and pine forests were more beautiful than we ever saw. But you may not be interested in the scenery as much as the conversation. We can hardly tell you everything we heard for want of space, but we thought we would tell you of our visit with L. D. Buchanan. We called at the Buchanan home Friday eve September 14th, but were told to return the next day, which we did right after lunch. It was a forty-five minute trip on the street car from the city out to the Buchanan home. I believe the information of L. D. will have more value if I first tell you of the interview I had with the Secretary of L.D.'s church which was most favorable. She said the whole family were a consecrated family; all were tithers. That they had all confidence in L.D. and that their old pastor had full confidence in the estate. That L.D. had often said, when his fortune came he would pay off the church's debt. I thought when those who know him best believe in him, that we have reason to believe him. I approached the Buchanan home Saturday September 15th. at 1:15 P.M. I was admitted by a young man; then greeted by Mrs. Boston, L.D.'s daughter as she came from the next room; then L.D. came from the other side, and as I was being ushered back to L.D.'s room he apologized for not seeing me the day before. He said after I left on Friday that he asked the folks who it was that called, and when they told him, he said, "Why yes. I had a fine letter from him a couple weeks ago. I want to talk to him". Well, to get back to the visit, He said, "See you're a minister, aren't you?" To which I replied yes. He said, "A Baptist"; I said No, a Lutheran. Then he said he didn't know anything about the Lutheran Church, but he knew the Baptist Church. And so our conver-

sation had a very pleasant introduction. But he said if I hadn't written him he wouldn't have seen me. Well, we had a jolly good visit for three hours and fifteen minutes. I will try to recall some of the vital things he said. He said he was appointed genealogist of the Buchanan Estate by the courts of New York. As I recalled he said the money was in the Morgan bank at Albany, N.Y. the Chase National Bank, the City National Bank, the Philadelphia National Bank, and he mentioned another bank whose name I could not recall. He said there are heirs in all the banks, unknown to the banks officials either as heirs or trustee who were present in all bank meetings; that they were looking out for the interests of the estate. He said he holds a judgment from a New York court for \$70,000 for default. He also told me that recently there was a big meeting in New York of prominent men, one from Scotland, and that he (L.D.) was invited, but was not able to go. He had not a report from that meeting when I talked to him, but was very anxious for a report. He said he could get plenty of money; that he had been offered any amount of money (a million dollars I think it was) for his papers. But he wouldn't take it that way. He commented on the fine spirit of my letter; saying he fully intended to answer it, then took sick, and when he got up so many letters had piled up that he hadn't got down to mine yet. I had a very cordial welcome. I told him of our Association, and was much pleased that he approved it. His plan for the organizing of the heirs is so similar to our organization. He said he wanted our help in the organizing of the heirs (the Clan). He said settlement would have been made long ago if it had not been for the economic condition of the country, and the confusion caused by heirs. L.D. is quite a philosopher. He said it was just like a mud puddle - if you keep stirring it, it will stay muddy, but if you quit stirring it will settle. He said this estate was the same way. He said court action is not needed.

to settle the estate as far as the approved heirs are concerned. He said there might be an heir whose line is irregular, that it might be necessary for court action to prove they were heirs.. He said the check will come unannounced, without any warning. It might be any time. He said the report that the estate must be settled this year is false. He said he did not know where the instruction sheet signed by the Governing Board of the Buchanan Estate came from. He showed me a clipping from a Washington newspaper, with information about a check for \$225,000 given to the Buchanan heirs for certain property in Washington. He showed me a checker board valued at \$100.00 that was made, the black blocks from the walnut in the organ at the church where John Buchanan attended, and the white from timber on his farm and presented to L.D. by a descendant. (The given name of this Buchanan may be wrong, but that is the way I remembered it). He also showed me the \$400 painting made of himself in Cincinnati. He gave me a small Buchanan coat-of-arms, and he said he would send me one of his pictures. He said the Alexander Buchanan estate in South Africa is a part of this estate. He also told of the New Harlem half of Long Island as Buchanan property. He said the government had given land grant to the Buchanans for service in the army, in New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri. I asked him about the reported check of Andrew Mellon; and he said Yes, that Mellon built a \$500,000 home for his daughter on Buchanan property. He denied he had written the letter under date of August 7. I asked him if my line was true, and he said I was on a strong line. He told me what strenuous measures he was compelled to take to protect the interests of the heirs. He showed me a letter that had come from a lady up north some place, and arrived the day I talked to him which asked about her line, and gave her geneology down through the generations, giving the name of her grandmother, who was the daughter of the President James Buchanan.

Then L.D. laughed heartily. But he said people like that are not of our bunch. Buchanans don't act that way. He promised to have a letter to me to be read each month at our meeting, but for some reason it did not arrive for this meeting. I found L.D. looking much better than I expected. L.D. said he had spent \$20,000 of his own money on this, and worked many years. I went back to my hotel feeling I had gotten all the information that was to be had. You have contributed of your money, and you have a right to know the above information; also that my total expense for the 2444 mile 8 day trip was \$68.61. In reading the above keep in mind that the above account was written from memory of the visit, and error is quite possible. I am not giving it for technical analysis, but just to give you an impression of the splendid cordial visit I had with L. D. Buchanan. I return to the beginning, I feel L.D.'s standing is a testimony for his word and character. I want to thank the officers of the Association and the Association itself for the opportunity of this trip and visit.

Someone dropped a Franc in the offering October 7th. We thought it might have been a keep-sake. If the party missing this piece will get in touch with the President he may recover his money.

We are in receipt of thrilling letters concerning the early settlement of the Estate. We have been engaged in this work for sometime, and we are enclined to keep our feet on the ground, and keep on traveling. Should these rumors come true we will receive the good news in action, and not waiting. We only say, Fine, if true. No damage to us if not. You may think us ready for secret service work, but our experience has had just that effect upon us. Let us go on with our plans, and if we are stopped by good news in the midst of our action, well, it will be fine.

A word about bulletins: Beginning with this issue the bulletins will be mailed to the chairman of your Local Unit - One copy for each family. If you don't get yours write us. This is done for economy only. You see it is important to send in your membership lists. And give the names of all children who are heirs as well as parent. You will greatly assist us if you designate families together. Chairmen: if you only get one copy of the bulletin, and need more to supply your families, it is either because you have not sent in your membership list, or else it has been lost. In either case, let us get it straightened out by sending in a new list. Folks, this is an awful big thing to keep everything organized, and without error. We hope to have your sympathy and help.

So many Local Units have not reported when their Unit meets. We will make a special effort to get your supply of bulletins to you before your meeting if you will report the time for your meeting.

Many encouraging letters come in, but we will first give you the most positive encouragement we have: A clipping from a California newspaper stated, "The Federal Reserve Bank of Los Angeles has verified the existence of the estate". Our investigator is verifying that news report, which if true is encouraging. Later word on this point.

The Clerk of the U.S. Dist. Court said they would send the decision on the case previously reported. We are anxiously awaiting that decision but the fact that there is a decision is definite information. We have a copy of an old letter written the same year (1887) saying the Harlan grant is ours. Of course it is only circumstantial evidence as we do not know it speaks of this case in court. We waited for latest mail hoping for decision to arrive, but will have to close this item without it. We are not trying to build false hope, but get facts.

We thank Mr. William H. Howe of Hammond, Indiana for his gracious offer to print the Delegate and Membership Cards free of cost to the Association.

We urge all heirs to send any information or evidence they possess to the President of the Association. It may help materially to build our case. And we thank many who have already sent in valuable materials. The Association is getting splendid cooperation from all over the country.

Now for a few quotations from our mail bag:

A letter from California under date of Sept. 22, 1933 says: "Judge Buchanan had a letter from the United States Attorney General saying that the settlement should come in sixty days". Of course the time is far past, but we quote it to show the confidence men have in this estate.

We will quote from a letter written by L. D. Buchanan in 1930: "I had a letter from my lawyer in Chattanooga, Tenn. to come as soon as I could. He thought he could get settlement so I will go the last of the week. I have records back of the middle of 1300 and data and copies of 42 wills. The leases are out and it is willed to all Buchanans and all descendants, lands and improvements. Reports to me to date is about \$850,000,000 adjusted and ready to settle".

There is much evidence for the existence of the estate, and everything is encouraging. But so many encouragements before has fallen to naught. We have set out to learn the truth about the Buchanan Estate. The only way this is possible is for all heirs to hang together. The past of this Association will convince anyone their money is not being squandered. If you don't care to know the TRUTH about it, of course there is no reason why you should cast in your bit, but if you want it done, don't delay. We may bring you happy returns.

*Copy

In reply to your letter of October 7th, 1931 I wish to advise that our family had known of this estate for a number of years and it was upon request of Mr. L. D. Buchanan to an uncle of mine in Grove City, Penna, that our claims were filed

We have been able to obtain practically no information that is that would be convincing or lead us to believe where and when the estate would be settled and how much we would receive. However we have had letters from Mr. Buchanan and he said that it ~~was~~ is impossible for him to reveal any facts concerning the estate until some later date which should not be long now in fact we expect to hear any day.

My uncle from Grove City Penna, is now in Houston, Texas at the present time and he will no doubt know something upon his return, but will no doubt be unable to reveal.

*COPY

My grandfather and yours were brothers ~~TheirxxxxTheirxxGreat~~
Their grandfather name was George. We had research workers, working on this history and on the copy I am enclosing is all the history of him we could find, he is buried on this Farm. I am enclosing a copy of all the history you need down to your mother,

Please excuse paper ~~I~~ have done so much writing on this I have used up all on hands. I have helped several to get their history. I would ~~like~~ get my claim in at the earliest convenience, so if there really is a distribution soon you will be in on it.

Hoping none of us are disappointed in what we are expecting

I am

George T, Buchanan

P.S. There has been two different families came down from Detroit for their history.

Buchanan Station Farm
Canaan Ind R.R? #1

William H. B.

July 22 - 1796

Mar 8 1877

Nancy O. B.

1817 - 1862 -

Donald Merrill

225 South Audubon Road

Mrs Layman Price

3228 Park Ave.

Indianapolis

11599

The Buchanan Clan

This certifies that the record of

Mr Lee Herman Behr
has been investigated and found he is de-
scended from a Buchanan and has been
accepted into this Clan as a Due and
Lawful Member.

J. H. Wells
Secretary

J. H. Buchanan
Jr. Chief
D.C.

GEORGE BUCHANAN Born in 1716 Died in 1818
Married a Scottish woman whose true maiden name is unknown.
Issue:
Wilson Buchanan Deceased
David Buchanan Deceased
William Buchanan Deceased
Hattie Buchanan Deceased
Mary Buchanan Deceased

WILLIAM BUCHANAN Born in 1772 and died in 1845
Name of wife is unknown.
Issue:
William H Buchanan Deceased
Moses Buchanan Deceased
Aaron Buchanan Deceased
David Buchanan Deceased
Wilson Buchanan Deceased
Elizabeth Buchanan Deceased

WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN Born July 22, 1796. Died in March 8, 1876.
Married Jane Buchanan March 25, 1819. (First wife)
Issue:
Luisa Buchanan Deceased
John Buchanan Deceased
Harvey Newton Buchanan Deceased
Nancy Jane Buchanan Deceased
George Washington Buchanan Deceased
David Harrison Buchanan Deceased
Married to Nancy O'Neal October 10, 1833 (Second wife)
Issue:
Mary Elizabeth Buchanan Deceased
Martha Ann Buchanan Deceased
Eliza Ellen Buchanan Deceased
William Scott Buchanan Deceased
James Madison Buchanan Deceased
Samuel Claudius Buchanan Deceased
William Henry Buchanan Deceased
Robert Calvin Buchanan Deceased
Lucinda Buchanan Deceased
Caroline Buchanan Deceased
Andrew Younge Buchanan Deceased
John O'Neal Buchanan Deceased

LUCINDA BUCHANAN
Married Charles Wehr October 11, 1870
Issue:
Lee Norman Wehr
Emmett Wehr
Maude Wehr
Caroline Wehr
Kathrine Wehr
Thersa Wehr
Lloyd Wehr
Franklin Walter Wehr

Spec B -
William B -
Wm.H.Buchanan

COPY OF WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN'S FAMILY RECORD?

Born
1845-1815-1772

Wm.H.Buchanan	was born	July 22nd	in the year of our Lord	1796
Jane " (1st wife) "	"	Sept 21st	" " " " " "	1802
Nancy " (2nd ") "	"	Nov 25th	" " " " " "	1816

Record of children of 1st marriage.

Luiza Buchanan	was born	March 14th	in the year of our Lord	1820
John "	"	Nov 3rd	" " " " " "	1821
Harvey Newton	"	July 15th	" " " " " "	1824
Nancy Jane	"	Dec 25th	" " " " " "	1826
George Washington	"	March 20th	" " " " " "	1830
David Harrison	"	July 11th	" " " " " "	1831

Record of children of 2nd marriage

Mary Elizabeth Buchanan	was born	April 16th	in the year of our Lord	1835
Martha Ann	"	Dec 20th	" " " " " "	1836
Eliza Ellen	"	Nov 16th	" " " " " "	1838
Wm. Scott	"	Dec 2nd	" " " " " "	1840
James Madison	"	Nov 12th	" " " " " "	1842
Samuel Claudius	"	Nov 19th	" " " " " "	1844
Wm. Henry	"	March 5th	" " " " " "	1847
Robert Calvin	"	Nov 25th	" " " " " "	1848
Linda	"	Feb 21st	" " " " " "	1851
Caroline	"	Aug 28th	" " " " " "	1854
Andrew 'Y'	"	Mar 8th	" " " " " "	1857
John O'Neal	"	June 29th	" " " " " "	1860

Deaths

John Buchanan	departed this life	May 5th	" " " " " "	1824
Jane (1st wife)	"	Feb 21st	" " " " " "	1833
Wm Scott	"	Dec 27th	" " " " " "	1841
Nancy (2nd wife)	"	Dec 28th	" " " " " "	1862
William H	"	Mar 8th	" " " " " "	1876

Marriages

William H. Buchanan and Jane Buchanan	was married	March 25th	1819
William H. Buchanan	" Nancy O'Neal	" " " " " "	1833

George Buchanan	Rev Sol.	1721
William	"	1724
William H.	"	1778.
"	"	1796.

Lee Norman Wehr
1943 N. 8th Street
Terre Haute, Ind.

GEORGE BUCHANAN. Born in 1716 Died in 1818.
Married a Scottish woman whose true maiden name is unknown.
Issue:

Wilson Buchanan	Deceased
David Buchanan	Deceased
William Buchanan	Deceased
Hattie Buchanan	Deceased
Mary Buchanan	Deceased
Margaret Buchanan	Deceased
Sarah Buchanan	Deceased

WILLIAM BUCHANAN. Born in 1772 Died in 1845.
Wife's name unknown.

Issue:

William H. Buchanan	Deceased
Moses Buchanan	Deceased
Aaron Buchanan	Deceased
David Buchanan	Deceased
Wilson Buchanan	Deceased
Elizabeth Buchanan	Deceased

WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN. Born July 22, 1796.
Married Jane Wade, March 25, 1816. (1st Wife)
William H. Buchanan died in Jefferson County, Ind. March 8, 1786.
Issue:

Luiza Buchanan
John Buchanan
Harvey Newton Buchanan
Nancy Jane Buchanan
George Washington Buchanan
David Harrison Buchanan
William H. Buchanan Married Nancy O'Neal, Oct. 10, 1833. (2nd Wife)

Issue:

Mary Elizabeth Buchanan	Deceased
Martha Ann Buchanan	Deceased
Eliza Ellen Buchanan	Deceased
William Scott Buchanan	Deceased
James Madison Buchanan	Deceased
Samuel Claudius Buchanan	Deceased
William Henry Buchanan	Deceased
Robert Calvin Buchanan	Deceased
Lutinda Buchanan	Deceased
Caroline Buchanan	Living
Andrew 'Y' Buchanan	Deceased
John O'Neal Buchanan	Deceased

LUCINDA BUCHANAN. Married Charles Wehr Oct. 11, 1870.
Issue:

Lee Norman Wehr	Born Mar. 12, 1872 - died Nov. 1, 1959
Emmett Wehr	Born Mar. 31, 1875
Maude Wehr	Born Sept. 19, 1877 - died Nov. 26, 1958
Caroline Wehr	Born Aug. 23, 1880
Kathrine Wehr	Born July 9, 1884 - died Feb. 1, 1958
Theresa Wehr	Born Sept. 18, 1888
Lloyd Wehr	Deceased
Frank Wehr	Deceased

LEE NORMAN WEHR. BORN in Madison, Ind, March 12, 1872.

Thersa Wehr
1943 N. 8th Street
Terre Haute, Ind.

GEORGE BUCHANAN. Born in 1718 Died in 1818.
Married a Scottish woman whose true maiden name is unknown.

Issue:

Wilson Buchanan	Deceased
David Buchanan	Deceased
William Buchanan	Deceased
Hattie Buchanan	Deceased
Mary Buchanan	Deceased
Margaret Buchanan	Deceased
Sarah Buchanan	Deceased

WILLIAM BUCHANAN. Born in 1772 Died in 1845.

Wife's name unknown.

Issue:

William H. Buchanan	Deceased
Moses Buchanan	Deceased
Aaron Buchanan	Deceased
David Buchanan	Deceased
Wilson Buchanan	Deceased
Elizabeth Buchanan	Deceased

✓ WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN. Born July 22, 1796.

✓ Married Jane Wade March 25, 1816. (1st Wife)

William H. Buchanan died in Jefferson County, Ind. March 8, 1886.

Issue:

Luiza Buchanan
John Buchanan
Harvey Newton Buchanan
Nancy Jane Buchanan
George Washington Buchanan
David Harrison Buchanan
William H. Buchanan Married Nancy O'Neal, Oct. 10, 1833. (2nd Wife)

Issue:

Mary Elizabeth Buchanan	Deceased
Martha Ann Buchanan	Deceased
Eliza Ellen Buchanan	Deceased
William Scott Buchanan	Deceased
James Madison Buchanan	Deceased
Samuel Claudius Buchanan	Deceased
William Henry Buchanan	Deceased
Robert Calvin Buchanan	Deceased
Lucinda Buchanan	Deceased
Caroline Buchanan	Deceased
Andrew 'Y' Buchanan	Deceased
John O'Neal Buchanan	Deceased

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Kathrine Wehr	Born July 9, 1884
Thersa Wehr	Born Sept. 18, 1888
Lloyd Wehr	Deceased
Frank Wehr	Deceased

THERSA WEHR. Born at Carbon, Ind. Sept. 18, 1888.

1876

1816

1796

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claim of Henry H. Buchanan 1522 5th ave
 CLAIM V. E. BUCHANAN ESTATES.
 Genealogy of Henry Harrison Buchanan Terre Haute, Indiana
 1522 5th ave

Beginning with

GEORGE BUCHANAN, soldier in the Revolutionary war, who came to the state of Pennsylvania from Ireland among the early emigrants, who married a Scottish woman, whose true maiden name to this affidavit is unknown. About 1813, he came to Indiana Territory, now known as Jefferson and Ripley Counties, deceased in 1818, and is a direct descendant of the original Buchanan who left said estate.

His children were: Wilson, David, William, Hattie Mary, Margaret and Sarah, all deceased.

WILLIAM BUCHANAN, was born in 1772, and died in 1845, name of wife unknown to this affidavit,

His children were: William H., Moses, Aaron, David, Wilson, And Elizabeth, all deceased.

William H. Buchanan was born July, 22nd, 1796, and died in Jefferson County, March 8th, 1876, was married to Jane Buchanan March, 25, 1816. Their children were:

Luiza, John, Harvey Newton, Nancy Jane, George Washington, David Harrison.

He was married to Nancy O'Neal October 10, 1833.

Ther children were:

Mary Elizabeth, Martha Ann, Eliza, Ellen, Wm. Scott, James Madison, Samuel, Claudius, Wm. Henry, Robert Calvin, Lucinda, Caroline, Andrew 'Y' and John O'Neal, all of the above are deceased except Caroline.

Charles Wehr and LUCINDIA BUCHANAN, were married October 11th, 1870.

Their children were:

	Born	mo. of Birth.	year of birth.
Lee Norman	"		
Emmett	"		
Maude	"		
Caroline	"		
Katherine	"		
Theresa	"		
Lloyd	"		
Frank Walter	"		

Deceased
Deceased

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY Wigo

Henry Harrison Buchanan do solemnly swear that the foregoing statements of my lineage from GEORGE BUCHANAN, born in 1716, contain a true showing of the line of descent, and I make this affidavit for the purpose of establishing my claim to my statutory or legal share in distribution of the Buchanan Estates.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this day of _____

My Commission Expires _____

Notary Public

COPY OF WILLIAM H BUCHANAN'S FAMILY RECORD.

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Jane Buchanan ,wife of William H Buchanan was born Sept 21st in the year of our Lord 1802, record of the children,

Luiza Buchanan was born March the 14th in the year of our Lord 1820

John Buchanan " " November 3rd " " " " " " 1821

Harvey Newton Buchanan July 15th " " " " " " 1824

Nancy Jane " December 25th " " " " " " 1826

Geo, Washington " March 20th " " " " " " 1830

David Harrison " July 11th " " " " " " 1831

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ages of William H. Buchanan's children by his second wife.

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Eliza Ellen " " " Nov 16th " " " " " " 1838

Wm Scott " " " Dec 2nd " " " " " " 1840

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Wm Henry " " " March 5th " " " " " " 1847

Robert Calvin " " " Nov th 25 th " " " " " " 1848

Lucinda Buchanan " " Feb 21st " " " " " " 1851

Caroline " " " Aug 28th " " " " " " 1854

Andrew "Y" " " " Mar 8th " " " " " " 1857

John O'Neal " " " June 29th " " " " " " 1860

Deaths

John Buchanan departed this life May the 5th in the year of our L

Jane " wife of Wm H. Buchanan deprted this life February 21st in th e Year of our Lord 1833

Wm. Scott Buchanan departed this life Dec 27th , in the year of our Lord 1841

Nancy Buchanan second wife of Wm, H, Buchanan, departed this life the 28th of December 1862.

William H, Buchanan ---departed this life March the 8th in the year of of our Lord 1876,

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Jane (1st wife)	" "	Sept 21st	" " " " " "	1802
Nancy (2nd wife)	" "	Nov 25th	" " " " " "	1816

Children of the 1st marriage

Luiza Buchanan	was born	March 14th	in the year of our Lord	1820
John	" "	Nov 3rd	" " " " " "	1821
Harvey Newton	" "	July 15th	" " " " " "	1824
Nancy Jane	" "	Dec 25th	" " " " " "	1826
Geo. Washington	" "	Mar 20th	" " " " " "	1830
David Harrison	" "	July 11th	" " " " " "	1831

Children of the 2nd Marriage.

Mary Elizabeth	" was born	April 16th	in the year of our Lord	1835
Martha Ann	" "	Dec 20th	" " " " " "	1836
Eliza Ellen	" "	Nov 16th	" " " " " "	1838
Wm Scott	" "	Dec 2nd	" " " " " "	1840
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John O'Neal	" "	June 29th	" " " " " "	1860

Marriages

William Buchanan and Jane Buchanan	were married	March 25th	1819
" " " Nancy O'Neal	" "	October 10th	1833

Deaths

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Nancy	" (2nd wife)	Dec 28th	" " " " " "	1862
Wm Henry	" "	March 8th	" " " " " "	1876

(Grandfather)

Lucinda Buchanan was born
February the 21st in the year of
our Lord - 1851

Caroline Buchanan was born
Aug 28th in the year of our Lord
1854

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born March the 8th in the year
of our Lord - 1857

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of our Lord - 1860

Nancy Buchanan Wife of Mr.
H. Buchanan was born Nov 25th
In the year of our Lord, - 1816

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of our Lord = 1824

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Nancy was married October 10th
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Wm. Henry Buchanan was
married in the 13 of September
1869. This State Ind. Jefferson Co.

Copy of Wm. H. Buchanan's
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Lord - 1848

<u>William H. Buchanan</u>	Born July 22, 1796	Died Mar. 8, 1876
Wife Jane Buchanan Married Mar. 25, 1819	Born Sept. 21, 1802	Died Feb. 21, 1833

Issue:

Luisa	Born Mar. 14, 1820	
John	Born Nov. 3, 1821	Died May 5, 1824
Harvey Newton	Born July 15, 1824	
Nancy Jane	Born Dec. 25, 1826	
Geo. Washington	Born Mar. 20, 1830	
David Harrison	Born July 11, 1831	

Wife Nancy O'Neal Married Oct. 10, 1833	Born Nov. 25, 1816	Died Dec. 28, 1862
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Issue:

Mary Elizabeth	April 16, 1835	
Martha Ann	Dec. 20, 1836	
Eliza Ellen	Nov. 16, 1838	
William Scott	Dec. 2, 1840	Died Dec. 27, 1841
James Madison	Nov. 12, 1842	
Samuel Claudius	Nov. 19, 1844	
William Henry	Mar. 5th, 1847	
Robert Calvin	Nov. 25, 1848	
<u>Lucinda</u>	Feb. 21, 1851	
Caroline	Aug. 28, 1854	
Andrew Y	Mar. 8, 1857	
John O'Neal	June 29, 1860	

<u>Lucinda Buchanan</u> married Oct. 11, 1870	Born Feb. 21, 1851	Died
Husband Charles Wehr	Born Mar. 7, 18	Died

Issue:

Lee Norman	Mar. 12, 1873	Died Nov. 1, 1959
<u>Emmett</u>	Mar, 31, 1875	Died June 18, 1961
Maude		Died Nov. 1955
Caroline	Aug. 23, 1880	Died Aug. 25, 1962
Katherine		Died Feb. 1, 1957
Thersa		
Lloyd		1918
Franklin Walter	Jan. 16, 1896	Died 1930

George Buchanan { William
John
David

William Buchanan
Died Feb. 26, 1845 age 73 yrs. { William H.
Moses.
Aaron.
David.
Wilson.
Elizabeth.

William H.
Janie Buchanan
(1st wife) { Eliza
David
Harvey
George.

William H.
Nancy O'Neil.
(2nd wife) { Mary Elizabeth
Ellis.
James Madison
Samuel C.
Martha
John
Henry.
Robert.
Lucinda
Carrie.
Andrew.

Lucinda B -
Chas. Wehr.

Lee H.
Emmett.
Maude
Carrie
Kate
Theresa
Florence
Frank.

William H. Buchanan }
Janie Buchanan } married.

William H. Buchanan.
Nancy O'Neil.
Born Nov. 25
Died Dec.

Copy of information concerning George Buchanan

William Buchanan, whose wife's name was unknown, was the father of the following children:

Betty, James, Archie, ^{Samuel} John and George and William

John, whose wife was Jane Russel, was married in 1650. Their children were :

James, William, Archie, John and George.

George Buchanan was born in 1716, was married to Esther Campbell (a lady of Scottish birth). He was a Scotch-Irish farmer from the county of Donegal. ~~He emigrated~~ to the Colonies shortly before the Revolutionary

war and settled in York County, Penna. I think his services in the

Revolutionary war, were as a private in Captain James Patton's Company,

Fourth Battalion, Cumberland, his commanding officer was Samule Culbertson.

(These services are recorded in the 23 volume of the Pennsylvania Archive)

His Children were :

Wilson, John, David, William, Margaret, Sarah,

Hettie and Mary. Wilson died at the age of 80, John was a soldier in the war of 1812, David died at the age of 75, William, died at the age of 85

Margaret at the age of 85, Mary who was my great great grandmother lived to be 93, I have a complete record of her.

After the Revolution he returned to his home in York County.

In 1800 he and George Benefield (who was my great great grandfather he married Mary Buchanan) moved to Kentucky, near Paris and established their homes. They remained there until October 1814 and then came to Indiana then the North west Territory. They settled in the northern part of Jefferson County. They built the Fort or ~~Stockade~~ Stockade, known as Buchanan Station

It was a large log building with projecting story, having rifle ~~mm~~ having rifle parts, it was surrounded at a distance of rifle shot by a wall of posts set in the ground and sharpened at the top. Around this for were built the cabins of the early pioneers. They were successful in repelling several attacks of the Indians.

George Buchanan was a first cousin to James Buchanan, father of President James Madison Buchanan.

George Buchanan died in 1815 at the age of 99, his grave in the Jefferson cemetery along with George Benefield is marked with the original stone (from the creek) and a D.A.R. marker.

(Great great grandfather)

The names under lined so our line descent.

COPY OF THE RECORDS OF GEORGE BUCHANAN

OUR GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER

William Buchanan, whose wife's name is unknown, was the father of the following children: Betty, James, Archie, or Samuel, George, William and John.

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1868
1772

1772

Claim vs Buchanan Estates.

Geneology of)4)----- Terre Haute, Indiana.

Beginning with

William Buchanan, date verified of birth, with the records of Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania was born 1754. Tradition relates he went to Tennessee to his son William and he died there in 1832 (one record in 1828) William was a Revolutionary Soldier of Cumberland Co., Pa.

Children of William Buchanan.

were, Betsy, James, Samuel or Archibald, George and William.

James Buchanan was born June 7th 1780
died in Rising Sun Ind., April 24, 1928 married Anna Sturman Feb 12, 1801. Anna Sturman was born July 16, 1784. She died -----

Children of James Buchanan were:

James, Samuel, George, John, William, Charlotte, Parmelia, Matilda, Mary, Patty, Elisa, Catherine.

George Buchanan was born in Virginia, Nov 29, 1804
married Maria Girard, who was born in 1813, died July 8, 1850. He married Hannah Highbee, she was born in Ohio County Indiana, 1816. she died in 1865.

Children of George Buchanan and Maria Gerard were:

Reese, William-Sturman, Harriett, Pleasant, James, Cornelius, George Washington, Winfield and Perry

William Sturman, was born in Switzerland Co., Indiana Nov. 24, 1832 married Lucinda Stewart Jan 16th, 1856
Lucinda Stewart was born Jan 31, 1837, She died April 18th 1899, and he died Jan 6th 1916.

Children of William and Lucinda Buchanan.

are:

MargaretAnn	-6-----	born	Sept 28	,1856
Clarence Eugene	-----	"	June 3	,1858
Edna Jane	-----	"	March	, 1860
Mortimer J.	-----	"	Oct. 17,	1864
George	-----	"	July 11,	1862
Sarah	-----	"	Sept 18,	1867
Walter	-----	"	Dec th,	1870
Lizzie	-----	"	Oct 14	,1872
William Pritchard	-----	"	Feb 9	,1876
Lotty	-----	"	Oct 15,	1878

Wm Buchanan died in
Feb 26, 1845 age 73 -
11 mo 27 day

Hanny Cornner
400 block W. Market St. ally
Mrs Buchanan.

1876

1796

80-

Dave Buchanan (See
South East St,
Berbie 321 East Fifth

Mrs Hanna Solyers
517 North-East St.
Phone-670.R

1851

76

1785

Wilson H. Buchanan died Sept
19, 1851 at age of 76 yrs.

William Buchanan son of William
H. Died in May 1833 at 32 yrs.
Born 1791

Good

1813-1927

A. N. Dabney
45 - Roland Road.

W. B. Schenck

Catherine Jovent

Oct 8 - 1813

Edmund Perkins

Mar 25 - 1824

Land Claims

3-2-1835

7-18-1837

10-7-1837

Geo Bensfield
Colbertson with Pa

W -
Apr 1-1832

72 -

Description of Buchanan Estates

The Buchanan Estates consist of 42 separate and distinct groups of real property, situated in New York, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and other places, and some minor stockholdings in several corporations. There were originally 108 wills left by the elder Buchanan, but Mr I.D. Buchanan were successful in finding and securing copies of only 42 wills, covering 42 groups of property as mentioned above. The copies of the 42 wills of 8000 pages of matter which were secured only by years of patient labor and a large expenditure of money on the part of I.D. Buchanan and his attorneys. These copies are now in their hands and in a safe place, and neither the entire contents of the wills nor their depository will be divulged. There have been hundreds of lawyers and others try every means from threats and browbeating to bribery, to secure copies of these wills, but their efforts have been unavailing. Mr. I.D. Buchanan is acting on the advice of his attorneys in this matter and they have no doubt pursued a wise course. I.D. Buchanan has five attorneys assisting him, who are some of the most prominent and promising legal talent of the nation, and all are descendants of the Buchanan blood, and will participate in the proceeds of the estate. For obvious reasons, he will not divulge their names. These attorneys have prepared a genealogical survey of the Buchanan family from the 16th century down to the present time. They have a list of all the living blood descendants, which is also kept in a secure place, and which is used to check the validity of claims.

The realestate was leased on 99 year leases, most of which expired last year. The leases contained the usual provisions that all real property and improvements thereon reverted to the Buchanan Estates at the end of the respective leases; the wills read that the estates at the end of the the time of the respective leases are left to the living blood descendents of the Buchanan Family, regardless of whether their ancestors were close kin or not, thus the descendents of any original Buchanan, though they may have been only distint cousins, share in the estate in equal shares, the wills reading that the proceeds are to be distributed share and share alike to all descendents. The original Buchanan family consisted of three (?) brothers who emigrated from Scotland and Ireland to America early in the seventeenth century, and settled in Pennsylvania and Virginia from where they branched out. It is their blood descendents that left- the estates are left, and I.D. Buchanan (has evidence) that the number of them is between 1800 and 2000.

Progress toward Closing the Estates

Owing to the fact that each of the several estates consist of several parcels of property, each separate estate must be disposed of before that particular estate can be available for distribution to the heirs, it is probable that several years will elapse before the whole of the Buchanan Estates are finally distributed. I.D. Buchanan stated that one of the estates which involves property situated on Manhattan Island, New York City, is well along toward final settlement. An administrator for this estate has been appointed by the state of New York (administrator to receive a total of 5% for administrator's fee). He further

stated that the administrator had sold all the property contained in this one estate ,with the exception of one parcel of terminal property, and that a deal is pending now for the sale of or the lease of this remaining parcel for a sum exceeding \$100,000,000 and that the administrator now has on deposit in New York banks and Trust Companies a sum slightly over \$887,000,000. which was derived from sale and leas of properties under this estate, and that (sum)will be ready for distribution to the heirs,and that in I.D.Buchanan's opinion this money will be ready for distribution finally,before 1932. Anyone would on first thought,consider the entire matter merely a "fairy tale" but if one could listen as I did to the clear cut,logical,concise, and positive statements of I.D.Buchanan, the estates are not an idle dream. Certainly the Buchanan family owes a debt of gratitude to I.D.Buchanan for the labor and money he has spent,for he asks nothing. The least the family can do is to comply with his requests and cooperate with him, and if there are doubting Thomases who are inclined to consider the whole matter a huge joke, let them also consider the fact that whatever has transpired has cost them not one penny and if they never receive a nickle they will assuredly be no worse off than before. My opinion of I.D.Buchanan is that he is honest,conscientious,and deserving man,who innspite of many handicaps and obstacles has brought the matter of the Buchanan Estates to a point where(each will revieve large awards ,and he has done so without asking or expecting anything in the way of remuneratuin except his just and equal share of the estate.

CLAIM v.s BUCHANAN ESTATES.

Genealogy of _____ Terre Haute, Ind.,

Beginning with
William Buchanan, date of birth verified with the records of
Cumberland County, Pennsylvania born 1754. Tradition relates he
went to Tennessee to his son William and he died there in 1832.
(One record in 1828). William was a Revolutionary Soldier of
Cumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Children of William Buchanan Were :

Betsy, James, Samuel or Archibald, George and William.

James Buchanan was born June 7th 1780, and died in Rising Sun,
Indiana April 24th 1828, married to
Anna Sturman ~~April~~ Feb 12th 1801. and Anna Sturman was
born July 16th 1784, and she died _____

Children of James Buchanan were :

James Samuel, George John, William, Charlotte, Parmelia, Mary, Patty
Eliza and Catherine
George Buchanan was born in Virginia Nov 29th 1804, and was
married Maria Girard, who was born in 1813, and died July 8th 1850.
~~He married Maria Girard in 1813~~ born in Ohio County Indiana, 1816
Died in Ohio County in 1865, married _____

Children of George Buchanan and Maria Girard were:

Reese, William Sturman, Harriet, Pleasant, James, Cornelius,
George Washington, Winfield and Perry,

William Sturman was born in Switzerland Co., Indiana Nov 24, 1832
Married Lucinda Stewart Jan 16th 1856. Lucinda Stewart was born
Jan 31 1837, she died April 18th 1899. He died Jan 6th 1916.

Children of William and Lucinda Buchanan are:

Margaret Ann	born	September 28th	1856
Clarence Eugene	"	June 3rd	1858
Edna Jane	"	March 3rd	1860
Mortimer J.	"	October 17th	1864
George	"	July 11th	1862
Sarah	"	September 18th	1867
Walter	"	December 6th	1870
Lizzie	"	October 14th	1872
William Pritchard	"	February 9th	1876
Lotty M.	"	October 15th	1878

STATE OF INDIANA, COUNTY OF _____

I _____ do solemnly swear that the fore-
going statements of my lineage from William Buchanan, born in 1754,
contains a true showing of the line of descent, and I make ~~this~~ th
this affidavit for the purpose of establishing my claim to my
statutory or legal share in the distribution of the
Buchanan Estates,

Subscribed and sworn to before me
This 27th day of August 1931

Notary Public.

My Commission expires _____

*COPY

William Buchanan born in 1772 and died in 1845-- wife unknown, a son of George Buchanan born 1721 and died about 1818 (dates varied)

George was in the 4th pennsylvania regiment, came from Ireland or Scotland, we think Scotland, wife unknown. Came to Indiana a short time prior to 1813, when he and his four sons ~~x~~, William, Wilson. David, John, and his son-in-law-George ^Denefield built the Buchanan fort,

William's son was William H , born 1796 and died 1876.

The Buchanan Estates consist of 42 separate and distinct groups of real property, situated in New York and South Carolinas, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and other places, and some minor stock holdings in several corporations. There were originally 108 wills left by the elder Buchanan, but Mr. L.D. BUCHANAN AND HIS ATTORNEYS WERE successful in finding and securing copies of only 42 wills, covering of 8000 pages of matter which were secured only by years of patient labor and a large expenditure of money on the part of L.D. Buchanan and his attorneys. These copies are now in their hands and in a secure place, and neither the entire contents of the wills nor their depository will be divulged. There have been hundreds of lawyers and others try every means from threats and browbeating to bribery to secure copies of these wills but their efforts have been unavailing. Mr. L.D. BUCHANAN has five attorneys assisting him who are some of the ablest and most prominent of the legal talent of the nation, and all are descendants of the Buchanan blood, and will participate in the proceeds of the estate; for obvious reasons, he will not divulge their names. These attorneys have prepared a genealogical survey of the Buchanan family from the sixteenth century down to the present. They have a list of all living blood descendants, which is also kept in a secure place, and which is used to check the validity of claims. The real estate was leased on 99 years leases, most of which expired last year. The leases contained the usual provision that all real property and improvements thereon reverted to BUCHANAN ESTATES at the end of the respective leases are. The wills read that the estates at the end of the respective leases are left to the living blood descendants of the Buchanan family, regardless of whether or not their ancestors were close kin, thus the ~~descendants~~ of any of the original Buchanan, though they may have been only distant cousins, share in the estate in equal shares, the wills reading that the proceeds are to be distributed share and share alike to all descendants. The original Buchanan family consisted of three (3) (&) brothers who emigrated from Scotland and Ireland to America early in the seventeenth century, and settled in Pennsylvania and Virginia from where they branched out. It is not their blood descendants that the estates are left, and L.D. Buchanan said that the number of them is between 1800 and 2000.

PROGRESS TOWARD CLOSING ESTATES.

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Copy of the Records of Goerge Buchanan
(Our great, great, great grandfather)

William Buchanan, whose wife's name is unknown, was the father of the following children: Betty, James, Archie, or Samuel, John, George and William.

John Buchanan, whose wife was Jane Russell, was married in 1650. Their children were: James, William, Archie, John and George.

George Buchanan was born in 1716. Was married to Esther Campbell, a lady of Scottish birth. He was a Scotch-Irish farmer from the County of Donegal. He emigrated to ~~the~~ Colonies shortly before the Revolutionary War and settled in York County, Pennsylvania. He was presumably a private in Captain James Patton's Company, Fourth Battalion, Cumberland. His commanding officer was Samuel Culbertson. (These services are recorded in the 23rd volume of the Pennsylvania Archives). His children were: Wilson, John, David, William, Margaret, Sarah, Hettie and Mary. Wilson died at the age of 80. John was a soldier in the War of 1812. David died at the age of 75. William died at the age of 85; Margaret at the age of 85. Mary lived to be 93. After the Revolution George returned to his home in York County. In 1800 he and George Benefield, who married Mary Buchanan, moved to Paris, Kentucky and established their homes. They remained there until 1814 when they came to Indiana which was then known as the North West Territory. They settled in the northern part of Jefferson County. There they built a stockade or Fort known as Buchanan's Station. (An exact replica has been erected on the spot) It was a large log building with a projecting story having rifle ports and was surrounded a rifle-shot distance by a wall of posts set in the ground and sharpened at the top. Around this fort were built the cabins which were the homes of the early pioneers. They were successful in repelling several Indian attacks. George Buchanan died in 1815 at the age of 99. His grave is in the Jefferson cemetery along with his son-in-law, George Benefield and is marked with the original stone from the creek and a D. A. R. marker. George Buchanan was a first cousin to James Buchanan the father of President James Madison Buchanan.

CLAIM V.S.BUCHANAN ESTATES.

Genealogy of _____ Terre Haute, Indiana

Beginning with
GEORGE BUCHANAN, soldier in the Revolutionary war, who came to the state of Pennsylvania, from the Ireland among the early emigrants who married a Scottish woman, whose true maiden name to this affidavit is unknown. About 1813 he came to Indiana Territory, now known as Jefferson and Ripley Counties, deceased in 1818 and is a direct descendent of the original Buchanan who left said estat
His children were:

Wilson, David, William, Hattie Mary, Margaret and Sarah, all deceased.

WILLIAM BUCHANAN, was born in 1772 and died in 1845, name of wife unknown to this affidavit,

His children were:

William H. Moses, Aaron, David, Wilson and Elizabeth, all deceased.

WILLIAM H. BUCHANAN was born July 22nd, 1796 and died in Jefferson County, March 8th 1786. was married to Jane Buchanan March 25, 1816
Their children were:

Luiza, John, Harvey Newton, Nancy Jane, George Washington, David Harrison.

He was married to Nancy O'Neal October 10 1833
Their children were:

Mary Elizabeth, Martha Ann, Eliza Ellen, Wm. Scott, James Madison, Samuel Claudius, Wm. Henry, Robert Calvin, Lucinda, Caroline, Andrew 'Y' and John O'Neal, all of the above are deceased except Caroline.

Charles Wehr and LUCINDA BUCHANAN, were married October 11th 1870.

Their children were :

x Lee Norman	<i>Wehr</i>	Born	March 12th	1872
Emmett	"	"	" 31st	1875
Maude	"	"	Sept 19th	1877
Caroline	"	"	Aug 23rd	1880
Kathrine	"	"	July 9th	1884
x Theresa	"	"	Sept 18th	1887
Lloyd	"	"	Dec 16th	1890
Frank	"	"	Jan 18th	1891

Deceased
Deceased

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF _____

I _____ do solemnly swear that the foregoing statements of my lineage from GEORGE BUCHANAN, born in 1716 contain a true showing of the line of descent, and I make this affidavit for the purpose of establishing my claim to my statutory or legal share in the distribution of the Buchanan Estates.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of _____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

Lee Norman
Wehr 1943 77 8 St Terre Haute Ind

BUCHANAN CORRESPONDENCE
- MAUDE WEHR -

MRS. HARVEY MORRIS
SALEM, IND.



Miss Maude Wehr,
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit, Michigan.

Mrs H. J. Coleman
Denny apts
Madison
Ind.

THE INDIANAPOLIS STAR

INDIANA GENEALOGY

MRS. HARVEY MORRIS
SALEM, INDIANA

Oct. 12, 1931.

Miss Maude Wehr,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Miss Wehr:-

In reply to your letter of Oct. 4, it seems probably you may belong to the George Buchanan line, grave marked by the John Paul Chapter of Madison, Ind. They have secured their records from several sources and do not think they have tried to record lines of descendants.

If you wish special research to make connections, that would need more time than possibly ^{could} be given to you, but I will give you the address of the present Regent of the Chapter, and you can write to her-Mrs. H.J. Coleman, Denny Apts., Madison, Ind.

A query to help you will be placed in my column, if you will send dates for your grandfather, name of his wife and children. I have considerable data of this line, but special research is \$5, perhaps you can get data from the column, or Chapter, without the fee-you can try this first, if you like, if sending query, be best to send at once, as copy kept two weeks ahead, and would be out before it appears, after you send.

Sincerely,

Martha Tucker Morris.

Mrs. Harvey Morris.



Miss Maude R. N.
Receiving Hosp.
Detroit, Michigan

703 W. Main St.
Madison, Ind.
November 9, 1931.

Miss Maude Wehr
Receiving Hospital
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Miss Wehr:

I received your letter of the 5th. inquiring about the record of George Buchanan. I have some information but it is not complete. He was my great, great, great grand-bather.

The record as I have it is as follows:

William Buchanan whose wife's name was unknown was the father of these children Betty, James, Archie or Samuel, George, William, and John. ^{great great great} John whose wife was Jane Russel was married in 1650.

Their children were James, William, Archie, John and George.

~~Great~~ great father

George Buchanan was born in 1716, was married to Esther Campbell a lady of Scottish birth. He was a Scotch-Irish farmer from the county of Donegal. He emigrated to the Colonies shortly before the Revolution and settled in York County Pennsylvania. I think his services in the Revolution were as a private in Captain James Patton's Company, Fourth Battalion, Cumberland Company. His commanding officer was Samuel Culbertson. These services are recorded in the 23 volume of the Pennsylvania Archives.

His children were Wilson, John, David, William, Margaret, Sarah, Flettie and Mary.

Wilson died at the age of 80, John was a soldier in the war of 1812, David died at the age of 75, William died at the age

of 85, Margaret at the age of 85. Mary, who was my great, great grand mother lived to be 93. I have a complete record of her.

George Buchanan was a first Cousin to James Buchanan father of the President.

After the Revolution he returned to his home in York County. In 1800 he and George Benefield, who was my great, great, grand-father (he married Mary Buchanan) moved to Kentucky near Paris and established their homes.

They remained here until October 1814 and then came to Indiana then the North West Territory.

They settled in the northern part of Jefferson county. They built the Fort or Stockade known as Buchanan's Station. It was a large log building with a projecting story, having rifle ports. It was surrounded at a distance of a rifle shot by a wall of posts,

set in the ground and sharpened at the top. Around this fort were built the cabins which were the homes of the early pioneers. They successfully repelled several attacks from the Indians.

George Buchanan died in 1815 at the age of 99. His grave in the Jefferson Cemetery along with his son-in-law, George Benefield is marked with the original stone (from the creek) and a D. A. R. marker.

I hope that this is the information you wanted. Should I find any further information I will send it to you.

Sincerely yours

Edna Lanham.

WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Miss Maude Wehr,
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit, Michigan.

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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IN REPLY
REFER TO

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WASHINGTON

November 17, 1931.

Respectfully returned to

• Miss Maude Wehr,
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit, Michigan.

There are no records on file in this office of Captain James Patton's Company, Fourth Battalion, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania in the Revolutionary War.

The records show, however, that one George Buchanan served in that war in the 4th Pennsylvania Regiment, and that he received pay for services during the years 1781 and 1782. Neither his rank nor the period of his service is shown.

The collection of Revolutionary War records in this office is far from complete, and it is suggested as a possibility that additional information may be obtained from the State Librarian, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, or from the Director of Pensions, Washington, D. C.

Under the rules of the War Department, requests, to receive consideration, should be made over the autographed signature of the writer.

C. H. Bridges
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By *R. S.*

Detroit, Michigan

November 12th 1931

The Adjutant General's office,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen :

Would like to get a copy of George Buchanan's record during the Revolutionary War. He enlisted as a private in Captain James Patton's Company, Fourth Battalion, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, I think his Commanding Officer was Samuel Culbertson. any information will be greatly appreciated,
I am

Very truly yours,

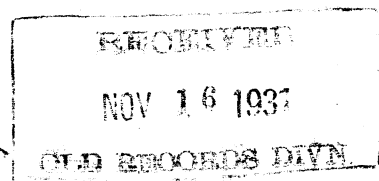
Miss Maude Wehr, R.N.

Receiving Hospital,

Detroit,

Michigan.

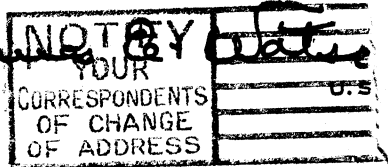
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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE COMMERCE

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Miss Maude Weber, R. N.,

Receiving Hospital,

Detroit, Michigan.

MEMORANDUM

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

The Library of Congress has no "Genealogical Indexing Bureau" or "Department of Genealogy". It has a large collection of genealogies and local histories, but the service that it can render in connection with this collection is **necessarily limited, and by no means extends** broadly as has been indicated by certain newspaper articles. The Library can generally point out sources of information, but it can not undertake for correspondents research work (genealogical or otherwise), which readers on the premises undertake for themselves. Were it to do so, it would be overwhelmed with applications that would divert its assistants permanently from their regular duties.

The Library's practice in such cases is to refer the inquirer to professional workers here in Washington, who make the research for a stipulated fee. If the names of these are desired they will be furnished upon request.

JAMES E. WATSON
CHAIRMAN

United States Senate

CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY

October 9, 1931.

Miss Maude Weber, R. N.,
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit, Michigan.

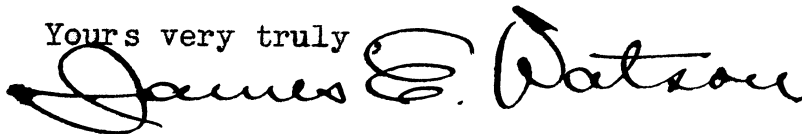
Dear Miss Weber:

In reply to your letter of the 4th instant, I enclose herewith a list of names of genealogists, which I have obtained from the Library of Congress, together with a memorandum regarding genealogical work.

I might add that the Father of the **Misses Curry** who appear on the list was at one time Secretary of State of the State of Indiana.

The Adjutant General's office, War Department, has a record of the soldiers who fought in the Revolutionary War, but they would have to know the soldier's full name, with the middle name spelled out, and from what State he enlisted, in order that they may identify him.

Yours very truly

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "James E. Watson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "J" and "W".

Encls.

NAMES OF GENEALOGISTS IN WASHINGTON, D. C., FURNISHED BY THE
STATE REGENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA D. A. R.

Mrs. Gaius M. Brumbaugh, 1954 Biltmore Street, N. W.
Dr. Jos. G. Bulloch, 2605 Adams Mill Road, N. W.
Miss Cora Curry, 1420 Girard Street, N. W.
Miss Kate S. Curry, 1420 Girard Street, N. W.
~~Mr. Frederick A. Fernald, 803 Taylor Street, N. W.~~
Mrs. Natalie R. Fernald, 803 Taylor Street, N. W.
Miss Annie R. Hunter, 212 Victor Building.
Mr. Frank W. Hutchins, 430 New Jersey Avenue, S. E.
Mrs. Cortelle Hutchins, 430 New Jersey Avenue, S. E.
Mrs. Thomas H. Johnston, 1476 Clifton Street.
Mr. Stockton W. Jones, 2518 17th Street, N. W.
Miss Lillian A. Norton, 1840 Biltmore Street, N. W.
Miss Mary Oursler, 1341 Monroe Street, N. W.
Mrs. Edith Roberts Ramsburgh, Hampton Courts.
Dr. Francis A. St. Clair, 1458 Clifton Street.
Mrs. Francis A. St. Clair, 1458 Clifton Street.

Library of Congress
Secretary's Office
Washington, D. C.
March, 1931.



JOHN PAUL CHAPTER
D. A. R.
MADISON, INDIANA

Answer



Miss Maude Wehr, R. N.
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit,
Mich.

William H Buchanan
was born July 22 - 1796
died March 8 - 1876

Married Jane his first
wife Mch. 29 - 1819
she was born Sept 29 - 1802

Wm Buchanan and Nancy
was married Oct. 10 - 1833
This was his second wife.

There were nine children
by both his first and
second wife. Yours and
my mother were Nancy
Buchanan's girls.



JOHN PAUL CHAPTER

D. A. R.

MADISON, INDIANA

Oct. 27-'31.

Miss Maude Wehr,
Receiving Hospital,
Detroit, Mich.

My dear Miss Wehr:

Our D. A. R. chapter keeps no record of Revolutionary soldiers except those under whom some one has come into the society. We have only a note saying that our chapter had been instrumental in having the Government place a marker at the grave of George Buchanan. The government does not do this unless they are in possession of all data. This grave is about ten miles from Madison and as I know no one in that neighborhood who I could ask to send me whatever inscription is on the

mailed I am referring
you to Miss Edna Laucham,
703 W. Main St, Madison. She
has a complete record of
George Buchanan and
may not charge you as
much as the government.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. H. J.) Viola M. Coleman



Miss Maude Welch

Receiving Hospital
Detroit, Michigan

Canaan, Ind -

Oct-11, 1931,

Dear Maud: Have been thinking of ans. your letter but was waiting for more information

Well I found out The William we found ~~in~~ the grave of was our Great-grandfather for shure and the old George was our great great-grandfather. We are going to file Monday at Rising sun. The time is about - w^h just give us untill 13th or 14th.

I hope you will get to file and it wont be to late. That you

yes Maude I remember my
mother talking of Aunt
Betty and Uncle Wess.

she was grandfathers sister

I am not feeling much
better my stomach has been
hurting me for a few
days. do you like it
out there? I will close
hoping you will ans.
soon,

Your Cousin
Carrie

P. S. George I did not have
the Book he had lent
it to some of the Buchanan
relation,

Dear Friend--

They told me
you were on night
duty so I didn't want to
waken you.

I wanted to tell
you we have moved to
40 Leslie. Take Hamilton
car and Leslie is first
street south of Glendale.
You'll have to get off at
Glendale and walk
back. Its just a little
ways off Hamilton-west.
Joan is having her
torsils out at home Thurs.
Come out when you can.
Stella.



W. J. MILLER

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES

OUR SPECIAL BLEND COFFEE MAKES ALL THE FAMILY GLAD TO GET UP
FOR BREAKFAST - THAT'S SOME COFFEE

FARIBAULT, MINN.

Oct 13-1931.

Miss Maude Wehr
Terre Haute
Indiana

Dear Miss Wehr.

On account of incorrect address, your letter reached me to day after a two weeks stay in our postoffice (The initials should have been W. J.) My Grand mother and grandfather are the ones you mention John Wesley Cowan and Elizabeth Buchanan Cowan, always called Uncle Wm and Aunt Betsey by their neices & nephews. They were married in 1829 and came to Minnesota in 1855. They left Near Madison



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FARIBAULT, MINN.

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in Jefferson Co. Ind. in the fall
of 1854 but remained in Iowa
the winter of 1854-5. They
had a large family 4 sons and
4 daughters who grew up and
several children who died when
young. The boys were all in the
Civil War. George and Frank enlisted
from Indiana and Andrew
and Enoch from Minnesota.
Geo died in Mississippi from
wounds and Frank died shortly
after being discharged from wounds.
Enoch entered the ministry after
the war and was a very success-
ful Episcopal clergyman until
his death, Andrew lived until



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1912 - and was 80 yrs old at the time of his death. He never married nor did Frank. Enoch and Geo. married but left no children. The girls were Martha (who married a Freeman Roberts) Elizabeth (my mother) who married Theodore Marquis. Nancy Ann who married William Walcott, these families were all residents around Faribault, and the youngest girl Lucinda married a Campbell and they always lived in the West principally in Colorado. This is about all I think that I can tell you. However my grand-mother & grandfather went



W. J. MILLER

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FARIBAULT, MINN.

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back to Indiana visiting
at one time when I was a
small child and spent some
time with a Wehr family.
Do you know anything about
how many brothers and sisters
there were in the family that
your grandfather and my
grandmother belonged to?

Am very glad to have heard
from you - I rec'd another
letter to day from a Mrs. Nannie
Ferguson of Maeris Hill Indiana
whom perhaps you know, as
she mentioned the Cowan relationship.
Hope to hear from you again. Sincerely,
Mrs. W. J. Miller
729-3rd St. N.W. Faribault, Minn

Monday night.

Dea Maude,

I have been so busy
I havent had a minunt to answer

your letters, I think it will
be lovely if you can come and
see me about the only place
around near here I know of
where you could stay would be
the Y W @ a on Ashland

Boulevard all in all its about
six blocks from here, you know
this is an extremely rotten
neighborhood and although
there are several hotels near
they are rather awful. If you
let me know when you are
coming I'll get a room for you
there. I think the cheapest
rooms are \$2.50.

I love it here very much
although it isnt nearly as
high classed a place as
I'd like it is nice and much
easier. Im having a swell
time too, as good a time as
one could have without any
money or clothes. The food
is particularly rotten but I guess
its as good as they can
afford to give us.

Ive been on duty
three hours a day in the
diet kitchen for three weeks
now. Its a lot of fun handling

all the delicious foods.

I think I know the town fairly well now. That is I know Marshall - Fields and where all the theaters are although I haven't been to any. They cost 85¢ in the afternoon here.

May came up and took me for a ride last Sunday afternoon we had a marvelous time.

Well as I have a class in about 5 mins. I think all close but write to me real soon and give me all the latest particulars on the B. Estate.

Love
Ruth

Detroit, Michigan
6-23-1934

Mr A. R. Markle
Ferguson Hill
West Terre Haute
Indiana

Mr Markle:
Some time I wrote you
regarding a William Buchanan
son of George Buchanan Revolutionary
soldier - William B - was son of my
grandfather. William H. Buchanan
born in 1796 - have never been
able to get any information regarding
William ~~regarding~~ his birth -
marriage ~~over~~ very much regarding
his family - only I knew William H
my grandfather was born in Penna.,
but I think William was born in
Ireland. as was George B -
Have you any information what ~~ever~~ over?

Respectfully
Maude Wahr R.N.
Receiving Hospital
Detroit, Michigan

REFERENCE
DO NOT CIRCULATE

Vigo County Public Library

Dear Cal - I am still at it - Here is
some valuable information about "old George
Buchanan" as Carrie Whitham calls him
isn't that nice of her.

Sometime when Aunt goes over to Indiana
you go along and have Don show
you just where to go and look for
Volume 23 of the Pennsylvania Archives
and see if there is anything further
about his record we haven't
got - now I am ready for William
George's son - and our great grandfather
I am hunting that down and then
we will have some record. and then
we could file - we could now if we
wanted to, from all records all of our
ancestors were born in York County Pa.
I mean grandfather and great grandfather
This Geo must have been nearly 60 yrs
old when he came from Ireland.

or something like that. I am written
to Washington for his record and
we will get his age there.

~~I don't want you to write~~
what do you hear from "T" she has been
treating me pretty shabby since I
sent her that 80 ^{all}
never a letter. just very short notes.
never a comment on any thing I write
always going to write. but never does.
so I am tired of writing
Love Maude

Description of Estates.

The Buchanan Estates consists of 42 separate and distinct groups of real property situated in New York and South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and other places, and some minor stock holdings in several corporations. There were originally 108 wills left by the elder Buchanan, but Mr. L.D. Buchanan and his attorneys were successful in finding and securing copies of only 42 wills, covering of 8000 pages of matter which were secured only by years of patient labor and a large expenditure of money on the part of L.D. Buchanan and his attorneys. These copies are now in their hands and in a secure place and neither the entire contents of the will nor their depository will be divulged. There have been hundreds of lawyers and others try every means from threats and brow-beating to bribery to secure copies of the wills, but their efforts have been unavailing. Mr. L.D. Buchanan has five attorneys assisting him who are some of the ablest and most prominent of legal talent in the nation, and all are ~~members~~ descendants of the Buchanan blood and will participate in the proceeds of the estate; for obvious reasons he will not divulge their names. These lawyers have prepared a genealogical survey of the Buchanan family from the 16th Century down to the present time. They have a list of all living descendants which is also kept in a secure place and is used to check up the validity of claims. The real estate was leased on 99 year leases, most of which expired last year. The leases contained the usual provision that all real property and improvements ~~thereon~~ reverted to the BUCHANAN ESTATES at the end of the respective lease. The wills read that the estates at the end of their respective leases are left to the living blood descendants of the Buchanan family. Regardless of whether or not their ancestors were close kin, thus the descendants of any of the original Buchanan, though they may have been only distant cousins, share in the estate in equal shares. The wills read in that the proceeds are to be distributed share and share alike to all descendants. The original Buchanan family consisted of three (3) brothers who emigrated from Scotland and Ireland to America early in the 17th century, and settled in Pennsylvania and Virginia from where they branched out. It is to their blood descendants that the estates are left, and L.D. Buchanan said that the number of them is between 1800 and 2000.

PROGRESS TOWARD CLOSING THE ESTATES.

Owing to the fact that each of the several estates consists of many parcels of property of each separate estate must be disposed of before that particular estate can be ~~available~~ for ~~distribution~~ distribution to the heirs. It is probable that several years will elapse before the whole of Buchanan Estates are finally distributed.

L.D. Buchanan stated that one of the estates which involved property situated on Manhattan Island, New York City, is well along toward final settlement. An administrator for this estate has been appointed by the State of New York (Administrators to receive a total of 5% for administrative fee) He further stated that the administrator has sold all the property contained in this one estate, with the exception of one parcel of terminal property, and that a deal is now pending for the sale of lease of this remaining parcel for the sum exceeding \$100,000,000 and that the administrator now has on deposit in New York banks and trusts companies a sum slightly over \$887,000,000 which was derived from sale and lease of properties under this estate and that will be ready for distribution to the heirs, and that in L.D. Buchanan's this money will be ready for distribution finally before 1932. Anyone would on first thought, consider the entire matter merely a "fairy tale", but if one could listen as I did to clear cut, logical, concise and positive statements of L.D. Buchanan, the estates are not an idle dream. Certainly the Buchanan family owe a debt of gratitude to L.D. Buchanan for the labor and money he spent, for which he asks nothing the least that any member of our family can do, is to ~~simply~~ comply with his request and cooperate with him. and if there be 'Doubting Thomas' who are inclined to consider the whole matter a huge joke, let them also consider the fact that whatever has transpired, has cost them not one penny and if they never receive a nickel they will assuredly be no worse off than before. My opinion of L.D. Buchanan is that he is an honest, conscientious deserving man who in spite of many handicaps and obstacles has brought the matter of the Buchanan Estates to a point where they will receive large awards, and has done so without asking or expecting anything in the way of remuneration except his just and equal share of the estate.

a Southerner

My dear Sisters and Brother:

I am enclosing a letter from George T, B Buchanan, ,His grandfather and our grandfather were brothers,he lives near Carrie Whitham, and on the original land where Goerge Buchanan settled.~~they~~ it was from ~~him~~ that they got all of their information

If they all filed on this so can we. I am sending you a form we will have to use in Indiana, you find out from M.J. Buchanan ~~wether~~ wether I will have to file up ~~here~~ here or would it be better to file in Indiana.

I want to tell you that I am getting tired of all this work, fortune or no fortune, I had a letter from Kate to day and she thinks I am improving in my typing, but she also said that she bet it took me hours to make them, but you know she would be surprised to know that I can make three or four copies in an evening, and when

I get tired I hit the wrong letters ,like I am doing right now. What do you hear from Ruth? she wont have any excuse from now on, for not writting, for I ~~sent~~ sent her a box of paper and ~~also some~~ stamps, and a box for her stockings and a buck, my she will think that Christmas is coming wont she?

How is Aunt Ann, wasnt it to sad for her son to go first? has she any other children now living?

Well find out what you all want to do, I expect we all will have to make out forms for each one of us and find out from Mr Buchanan if the best thing would be for Theresa to take them down to Cincinnati and file them with that lawyer down there, you know she is only about 90 mile from there.

So I^un I am going to bed.

I am sending into the folks and Kate W - can make a copy for Kate Van - the time you are following is in the underlined and large letters.

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for Elvys and Frank years in. I
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STATE OF INDIANA, COUNTY OF VIGO

I _____ do solemnly swear that the foregoing statements of my lineage from William Buchanan, born in 1754, contains a true showing of the line descent, and I make this affidavit for the purpose of establishing my claim to my statutory or legal share in the distribution of the Buchanan Estates

Subscribed and sworn to and before me
this _____ of _____ 1931.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires _____

The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

Box 426

Oilton, Oklahoma



Theresa Wehr

1943 N. 8th

Terre Haute, Ind.

226 Greenmont Blvd.
Oakwood Dayton,
Ohio.

Return in.....days to

.....

POST OFFICE.....

Province.....PHILIPPINE IS.



Miss Theresa Mehr

Kewanee

Indiana.

United States of America

We are having better baby contests among the natives.

Dear Theresa:-

It seems good to hear from you. You should have received the ~~news~~ ^{news} direct but perhaps Mary told you what a slow time I had getting strong. I'm far better now if not all right again. She is just the dearest thing ever and the prettiest and the best. Everyone declares that she looks like her father but she has my blue eyes only darker. You shall have a picture just as soon as we have one made. Her hair is long and comes clear to her eyes. She is becoming very active now and can do all sorts of stunts, her latest is to make a complete revolution in the bed propping on her back. She would not seem so wonderful to you

for you know more babies
and I know but the one.

We are very busy now as
you can see - by the following
program.

6:00 AM nurse baby.
6:30 Breakfast.
walk.
8:00 baby's bath.
9:00 bottle
washing for baby.
12:00 nurse baby.
12:30 ~~lunch~~ dinner.
rest.
3:00 baby's bottle.
4:30 walk.
6:00 put baby's bed, nurse her.
9:00 baby's bottle given by J. M. E.
1:30 AM nurse baby, take mother's milk

first that worse than school,
and it is worse than it looks
for there are many in -
between times. In between
line found a little time to sew,
and read but when I first
came home not even that
was permitted, just rest.

We have been having
the liveliest storms regular
typhoons, three in two months.
They are something fierce too.
The center of the latest passed
not 25 miles from here.
If it weren't for the lake

all communication would be
cut off from Manila. Lake traffic
is never stopped unless the
Pasig is too high for the boats
to pass under the bridges.
Since the source is the lake
and the mouth is the ocean
you can see for what a short
period this lasts. Now if you
don't know what a typhoon is
just pick up a physical geog.
and see. The first one brought
the river up over the town
and destroyed Mr. Eddy school
garden completely, even washed
the fence away. It has been
some time since that he can't get
in to plant anything. In these
houses a typhoon is delightful
the rain and wind is terrific.
The latter forces the former
through the walls so that
dry spots are difficult to find.
Then the river comes up
and rushes down the streets
digging up and depositing
dirt in various places. In
the last one six bridges
were carried out and the
channel of one stream

widened 20 feet. You see
we have lively times here
not to mention the three
earthquakes and the armed
robberies in San Pablo, and the
insurrection last Christmas.
To speak seriously but only
for your ears I'm afraid of
~~another uprising especially~~
if the present ~~uprising~~ is
policy is carried much farther
and almost certain if a
reform is attempted. Some
times I'd like to bump the
Honorable G. G.'s head.

Ruth is discoursing on the
horors of the present European
war but stopped long enough
to send her regards. She is
also trying to reverse her
position.

Don't worry about our health.
There is an American Dr.,
Mrs. Hamilton next door and
we hope not to get sick. Mary
told me you were not well
this summer. You must
not work so hard but take
care of yourself and if you see
Bill R. congratulate him for
me. My love to Dick
Louise.

SUNNY HILL SANATORIUM
501 ELLA AVENUE • JOLIET, ILLINOIS

Family History

POLICY NO.	KIND	STATE	ANNIV.	AGENCY
3 525 830	L 20 AD	NY	10	IND

THERSA WEHR

**THE EQUITABLE
LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES**

393 SEVENTH AVE.,
NEW YORK, N. Y.

**STATEMENT
OF ACCOUNT**

The Statement of Account (of which a duplicate has been retained by The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States) shows the details of an advance secured by the assignment of the contract of insurance and made upon the terms and conditions of an advance agreement referred to in the attached voucher check as

**SPECIAL CONTRACT
No.**

DATED: 1355521

Upon the repayment to the Society of the amount due under this advance agreement, such written evidence of the contract of insurance as may have been deposited will be returned.

**W. B. PARSONS,
SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT**

BY *SO*

RATE	FIRST INT.	DATE OF LOAN	ANN. INT. DUE	ANN. INT.	DR.	CR.
6M	PAID	31.5.26	32.10.4	\$13.92		

AMOUNT OF ADVANCE

\$232.00

OLD ADV. NO. 948246

79.00

INT. ON OLD ADV. 234 DAS.

3.04

INT. ON NEW ADV. 131 DAS. \$5.00

DISC. FOR PREP. OF INT. .11

4.89

CHECK FOR PROCEEDS

145.07

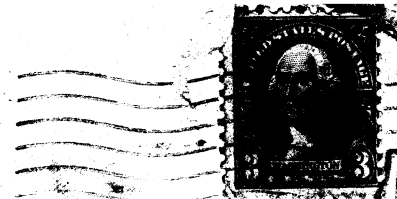
MISS THERSA WEHR
1230 AMSTERDAM AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

\$232.00

\$232.00

DETACH ABOVE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT BEFORE DEPOSITING CHECK

The Buchanan Plan (Inc.)
Box 426
Oilton, Okla.



Miss Thersa wehr

~~1943 N. 8th~~, 226 Greenmont Blvd

~~Terre Haute, Ind.~~ Oakwood
Dayton
Ohio

The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

Box 426

OILTON, OKLA.

October 26, 1932

Theresa Wehr
1943 N. 8th
Terre Haute, Ind.

Dear Madam:

Please sign enclosed letter and send to President Hoover.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Buchanan
J. H. Buchanan
Jr. Chief Buchanan Clan

(By M. Denney)

JHB:MD

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The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

Box 426

OILTON, OKLA.

Feb. 3, 1933

To All Members of the Clan and Their Immediate Families:

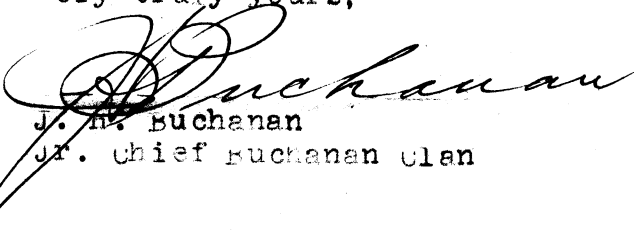
Dear Cousins:

I am aware of the fact that you have all been wondering why I have not answered letters. The fact is that I have no money to have these letters properly taken care of, and I felt that it was hardly fair to answer a few and leave the others without answering, it is not because I have given up the work on this property or have decided that we are beaten, but I have had to take up some other work which will allow me to again collect enough money to go ahead with this work.

I sincerely hope that you will all realize the expense of this work and see how necessary it is for me to have the finances to carry on. So far I have taken care of most of these expenses myself, and I suppose that it will be up to me to continue to do so. You will all hear from me from time to time and I expect to make a trip this summer which will extend into New York and Washington, D. C., on the matter before us. So I naturally have to prepare to take care of my expenses on this trip.

I ask you all not to lose faith, and I will have news for you some day that is absolutely satisfactory. Whether you keep faith or not will have no effect whatever on my work in this matter as I have dedicated my time to the final completion of this work and will continue to do so whether I have the financial or moral support of a single member of this family. With sincere good wishes to all for better times I am

Very truly yours,


J. M. Buchanan
Jr. Chief Buchanan Clan

JMB:MD

1943 North 8th Street
Terre Haute, Indiana.

G. H. Burcham
Wilton, Okla.



Miss Theres
226 Greenmont
Oakwood
Dayton
Ohio.

Special Delivery

~~Alice Wilson
Mrs. Hurd
Mrs. Crawford~~

SEE CLAIMED BY OFFICE
OF POST ADDRESS

350
+ 50
150
+ 50
200

Settlement in Full for Loan No. 25 402T

Thersa Wehr

Loan;—Amount	- - - - -	\$	<u>300.00</u>
Interest, (6%) Discount	- - - - -	\$	<u>18.00</u>
Service Payment (2% Fee)	- - - - -	\$	<u>6.00</u>
Insurance	<u>40</u>	\$	<u>3.75</u>
		\$	<u>27.75</u>
	Net on Loan	\$	<u>272.25</u>

DEDUCTIONS:

Bal. Loan No. _____ \$ _____

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Loan No. _____ \$ _____

Charges _____ \$ _____

Add. Interest _____ \$ _____

Inv. Cert. (P.B.F.) No. _____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Amount of this Check

\$ 272.25

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TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA,

Sept. 3 1930 No.

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

A. G. Gillis

\$386⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Three hundred and eighty-six — ^{no}/₁₀₀ DOLLARS

Theresa Wehr

312 N. 75th St.

Perre Haute, Indiana

June 16th, 1932.

My dear Sister :

I am sending you a check and a receipt .for your share in the Mater's estate. sign the receipt and return to me at once, and hold the check until you hear from me, dont forget hold the check.

I am also ~~sending~~ you receipt and check for the money you spent in going down to Madison with Carrie, I beleive that you had ~~twenty-five~~ fifteen and that there is still owing you twenty-five, that is right isnt it ? and please dont forget to hold this check also and send me both receipts. Hold both checks until further notice.

now you make that loan just as soon as you possibly can, dont waste any time ,as it is very important that you do so . and ~~if~~ you can spare me a twenty over your car faresend it ,and when I get back to Detroit ,I am expecting a check, and any way I guess we all will see that you have a place to live and something to eat, this summer and carry you along until you have a pay day. Now remember you messed things up pretty considerable for me ,and you have to help me out. I havent any one else to look to.

You pay me and I will pay you what I owe you.

We got the convention fine to day over the Rad~~io~~ . of course you know by this time that the Republican ticket will be Hoover and Curtis again. They sure had a stormy ~~time~~ last night over that 'wet plank'

I am going back to Detroit early Saturday morning, so if you can send the twenty before then I surely will appreciate it very much.

Love

Maudie

Cash on hand last report
" from Soldier's Fund

\$1233.95
75.00

\$1308.95

Gillis -----Undertaker	\$346.00
T.H.Monument Co., marker and stone	132.00
Expense ----- Car fare and Hotel expenses going to Madison, Ind., for the body of Lucinda Wehr	40.00
Maude Wehr Adm, for bond	10.00
A Herz's Dress	29.75
(Stockings)	
Cash (Underwear)-----	6.00
(Slip)	
Attorney's Fees	150.00
Bonds for 3 years	30.00
Court Costs	17.50
Administrater Fees	100.00
Lee N Wehr	65.35
Emmett Wehr	65.35
Maude Wehr	65.35
Carrie Wehr Norris	65.35
Kathine Wehr	65.35
Theresa Wehr	65.35
Priscilla Wehr	65.35

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From Georgia Brewster
1633 W. 7th St.
Terre Haute, Ind.



Miss Theresa Wehr
6210 Kimbark Ave.
Chicago, Illinois

Saturday - Mar. 22.

Dear Thessa -

I am sorry my letter had to be such a shock to you, but I could not do otherwise.

I go to the hospital again Monday for the second operation with the same hopes that I expressed to you before, for no matter

what the success of
that operation may be
from a doctor's point
of view, it will still
leave me too

shattered to want to
live. Oh well —

So you see, old dear,
you can't possibly come
to see me before the
operation, much as I
would like it.

I have several

notes to write and
it is quite an
effort for I am always
dopey and weak, so
good by, and take
care of yourself.

My love to you,
Georgia

- BUCHANAN CORRESPONDENCE--
MISC. -

(3rd Copy)

Sharon, Pa.,
September 17th, 1931.

Mrs Geo. J. Lentz,
6346 Jefferson Ave
Hammond, Indiana

Dear Mrs Lentz : In reply to your letter of Sept 14th, wish to state that it will no doubt be hard for me to help you much, as there are several different lines of Buchanan's.

I do not know the exact birth of William Buchanan, neither do I know the place of birth, as our people all are descended from another branch. However I will say that the rightful heirs are all descended from the O'Bokanes from Ireland in 1173 who later changed their name to Buchanan, to agree with the tract of land that had been granted to them. They all came to this country between the late 1600 and early 1700. William Buchanan left one of the wills was a bachelor and a first cousin of President James Buchanan.

If you believe yourself to be an heir, I would file a claim at once, I would advise you to use the following example:

Claim of Vivian Wehr Lentz

Greatgrand daughter of (	) and William H. Buchanan
Grand daughter of (	) " Lucinda B. Wehr
Daughter of (	) " Emmett Wehr

You need not have your claim sworn in unless you wish, However I would registry the letter and send it as soon as possible to L.D. Buchanan, 1018- 1020 East 28 St, Houston, Texas.

I will not promise that Mr. Buchanan will accept your claims as he has been refusing mail for some time, due to the fact that the estate will be settled soon. his mail is usually stamped "refused" by the Post Office and returned. That is the reason I say to register your letter. Hoping that I have been of some help to you and that you will not divulge whatever information which might be enclosed, as it is L.D. Buchanan's wishes to be as quiet as possible.

very truly yours,

Paul M. Johnson
332x 362 Newcastle Ave,
Sharon,
Pennsylvania.

(2nd Copy)

Indianapolis, Ind.,
September 15, 1931.

My dear Mrs Lentz:

My great grandfather had a sister Betsey and four brothers: George William, and Archibald and

Mr. L. D. Buchanan 1020 East 28th St has been receiving claims up to the first of June through the mail, but since that time has not received any only those sent by some one in person as he has been swamped with mail.

But it may be at this time he will again accept them I just do not know, as I understand it there will be an amount set aside for possible heirs that may file later, I do not know who held the leases but I understand the case is to be administered from Houston, Texas and that L. D. Buchanan has three firms of attorney's working on it.

You might send your claim to County Clerk, but I do not know what the fee would be.

Yours very truly,

Annabel Buchanan Merrill.
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(1st Copy)

Indianapolis, Ind.,
Sept 9th, 1931.

Mrs. Geo. J. Lentz,
6346 Jefferson Ave.,
Hammond, Indiana

My dear Mrs. Lentz :

I do not know if I can help you materially or not, as your line is different from my own. We come down through William Buchanan's son James.

I think your William must have been a brother of James. I was down in Rising Sun, Indiana this last week end and while there saw a very old Bible that some one in Kentucky had brought over to a lawyer to get him to fix up their claim. I did not get the name of the party who brought it over however. The birth records started with William E. Buchanan born in 1791 and he had ever so many children but I do not remember if there was a Lucinda or not. Some of their names I do remember however as Anna, Carrie, David

The Bible came from Galatin Co. Kentucky, and you could probably find out who took it to Rising Sun from the lawyer James Holder of Rising Sun, Indiana. I am of the opinion this might of been the William you speak of as your great grand father.

There has been quite a lot of controversy as to whether or not ~~there~~ is such an estate, ect; and what it is all about and none of us know much about it only what we hear. But it is all over the United States and Canada, so there seems so much excitement, there surely must be some grounds for the various claims. personally, I was quite doubtful at first but I kept hearing so much from pretty good sources that I thought I had better file my claim which I did.

My great grand father was William Buchanan and as I said we came thru his son George and my father was Frank Buchanan and I was Annabel Buchanan before my marriage.

As we understand the claims had to be filed 60 days before court opened and we understand that the case comes up in the Federal Court at Houston, Texas about the middle of November. I would not know where to tell you to file now unless you wait until the case comes up and send it to Houston. I had an Aunt Lucinda Buchanan by marriage she was the wife of an Uncle William Buchanan around Lebanon, they are both dead now.

Very truly yours

Mrs C. D. Merrill
Mrs C. D. Merrill
225 South Audibon Road.

Copy

August 20, 1931.

Miss Kate Heron,
Connersville, Ind.

My Dear Miss Heron:

I can hardly express my shame at having so long neglected to return the material which you so promptly and generously sent me at my own request and can only give as an excuse my wish to add something to your Buchanan line.

Contrary to the general experience of others, this has been my busiest summer in many years as having nothing else to do, I have ridden almost to death my good old hobby.

A Milton W. Collett, 1800 High Street, Logansport, is the son of William Collett and Bertha Buchanan, the latter the daughter of Alexander Buchanan and Minnie York.

Alexander was the son of James Buchanan and Harriet Berryhill who were married in 1809.

Harriet (1782-1869) was the daughter of Andrew Berryhill, a Revolutionary Soldier, and Martha Clingenpeal, those Buchanan and Berryhill families being of Paxtang, near Harrisburg in the early days of the Revolutionary war and shortly after.

Collett is a poor correspondent and I have been unable to get his Buchanan line farther back, though I am sure it is to be had.

I had hoped to see you long before this but have been unable to get to Connersville or nearer than Brookville all summer.

Thanking you for the McCarty material and regretting that I made you ask for its return, I am, Yours very truly,

Moore's Hill Ind.

Oct 9-31

Dear Cousin Kate-

Rec'd your letter a few days ago. glad to know you had an enjoyable trip.

We haven't gone to Jefferson Co yet. Aunt hasn't been well enough to go. Has had a bad knee and had to stay off her feet. We may get to go next week as Aunt is a great deal better.

What did you girls do about filing your claims to the Buchanan Estate? I sent my son in Texas a letter today with L. D. Buchanans address. If he goes to see this man and we learn anything that will help out in tracing our ancestors. I will let you know

I cant get out to learn anything
as Aunt has been so poorly.

I have copied the Family
Record for Maude, have
been waiting to hear from
her so that I would know
where to address it.

I sure feel lonely sometimes
I miss the young folks so
much, had letter from my
baby boy this A-M. he sure
seems a long way from me

Did you get to see that
family Bible at Risina Sun?
I am going to write to lady
in Minacota tonight to
~~see if I can find out about~~
Aunt Bethe and Uncle Wm
Cowan.

We are having pretty cool
weather since the big rain
Give my regard to Donald
and all the Cousins hope to
hear from you soon
Your Cousin Nannie

Roanoke Jan 23-18

Dear Brother and Family
I will

try to answer your letter
have so often thought
to write you and as
often promised it
You remember that
you promised to answer
my letters, was it just
a New Years resolution
or did you mean it.
Well your question
What is death? is one
that has puzzled
many minds. And out
side of Revelations is
an unknown one, but
I have never questioned

the thought that some
where there would be
a place of rest Addition
from our instability
has always been our
comfort - to me and
Theresa. I hope
me hope our hope ever
It is Paul says it is
a leap in the dark,
but I like to think it
will be like awaking
the drape of the cloth
about me and laying
down to pleasant and
changing the subject
Edith dispairs of hear-
ing from you Theresa
Maud she has written
to all of you all and
has not had a response

from anyone, of your
Theresa has never written
to her since her visit
here now to me. What
does this mean? I have
been having the rheu-
matism for over a
year and I do not
think I will be ever
any better. My hands
are getting the enlarge-
ment for which there
is no cure and my
feet and toes are swollen
so I can ~~just~~ get ar-
ound I do not know
what will be come
of my husband has
the Shaking Palsy so
he can not do anything
but carry the coal.

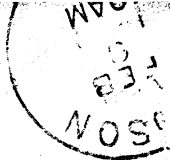
and Walter and I have
not been down stairs
since you as I suffer
so much with my
feet I wondered if
those of you. Family
who earn money could
put aside a shilling
a week and send it
to me every three or
four months it would
help me so much.
Much of the time I
am unable to work
and I have not had
work, and with the
return I love my it
hard to make ends
meet - and then not much
I know you have a
hard time to get along

but you have 5 boys
that possibly could help
a little, Leroy Robinson
helps me every year
some and they have
help some but the
closest of planning I
am at a loss at times
which you do time
Write me about Thurston
and Maude are doing
and Lee Emmett Loyol and
Frank, and how you
Katie a wife and her
hands are very tired
and I must quit
Write soon.

Your loving sister

E W Miller

Return to
RURAL SPRINGS STOCK FARM
JOSEPH C. BUCHANAN, Proprietor
JUDSON - - - - INDIANA



Mrs. Lucinda Weber

*1628
South 3rd St*

*Terr Haute,
Indiana*

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RURAL SPRINGS STOCK FARM.

JOSEPH C. BUCHANAN, Proprietor.

Judson, Ind., Feby 8 1909

Mrs Lucind Mehr
Terre Haute Ind

I have learned your maiden name was Buchanan and friend obtained from your daughter your address, and I would like to have a history of your family and learn if there is any relationship,

My Greatgrand father was George Buchanan of Va. his sons were James, George, John and Alexander. My Grandfather was this James Buchanan, whose sons were George, Robert and Alexander the latter being my father. The Alexander first mentioned would be my fathers Uncle. And I learn this Alexander had a son Alexander who came to Indiana more than 50 years ago. He would be a cousin of my fathers.

I received a letter about 4 years ago from a George M. Buchanan of Holly Springs. Miss saying he was a ~~Grand~~ son of James M. Buchanan and had an Uncle Alexander

RURAL SPRINGS STOCK FARM.

JOSEPH C. BUCHANAN, Proprietor.

And a Grand son of the first mentioned Alexander, and also had an uncle Alexander I will copy a part of his letter which is follows (omit)

Judson, Ind.,

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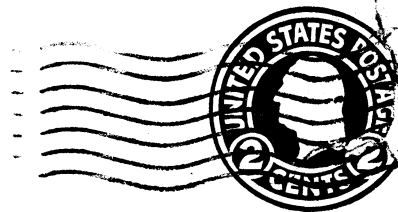
I will state that my fathers youngest brother Alexander Buchanan moved ^{from} Garrard Co Ky to Indiana about the year 1854 with quite a family of small children, since which time I have never heard any thing of him or of his family. My fathers name was James M Buchanan who was born and raised near Harrodsburg Ky

(signed) Yours Very Truly
Geo M Buchanan

This Geo M. wrote me to see if I knew any thing about his Uncle Alexander, but I have failed to find any and hope you can give me some light on the subject. I would like for you to come and see me and we would talk ^{the} case over, I shall await your reply

Yours Truly
Joseph C. Buchanan

P. O. BOX 825
CITY HALL STATION
NEW YORK, N. Y.



Policy or Bond No. 465797

Liq. Claim No. _____

Co. Claim No. _____

State of New York — Insurance Department

OFFICE OF SPECIAL DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

111 John Street, New York, N. Y.

In the matter of the liquidation of the SOUTHERN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK

Proof of Claim

Complete compliance with Instructions printed on back hereof is necessary.

Give in following space a concise statement of the facts constituting the claim.

Total Amount of Claim \$

Attorney for claimant sign on line

Claimant sign on line

Street number, City and State

Street number, City and State

STATE OF

COUNTY OF

SS.:

being duly sworn, deposes and says that

is the claimant herein; that the foregoing claim of

against the Southern Surety Company of New York is in all respects just and true to the best of deponent's knowledge and belief; that deponent knows of his own knowledge that no payment of or on account of the aforesaid claim has been made except as above stated; that there are no offsets or counterclaims thereto; that claimant is not a secured creditor or claimant and has no security except as above stated.

Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 193_____

Person authorized to take acknowledgments sign on line

Claimant sign on line

Title of person taking acknowledgment



STATE OF NEW YORK
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF
SPECIAL DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT
LIQUIDATION OF THE
SOUTHERN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK
111 JOHN STREET
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HOWARD C. SPENCER
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To all persons in any way concerned with the affairs of the Southern Surety Company of New York.

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II. It has been adjudicated by said order under Section 424 of the Insurance Law that said Southern Surety Company of New York is insolvent. Such order also dissolves said company.

III. All persons indebted to said company in any manner or having any property of said company in their possession are hereby required forthwith to render an account of all such debts and to pay the same and to deliver such property all to the said RICHARD A. BRENNAN at the above address.

IV. All persons having unsatisfied claims of any character against said company are hereby required pursuant to said order and to Section 424 of the Insurance Law to file duly verified proof of such claims within seven months of the entry of said Order of Liquidation. The last day for the filing of claims is October 22nd, 1932. Blank for filing proof of claim is furnished herewith.

V. Claims duly presented and expenses will be determined and all assets of the company distributed, in accordance with Section 426 of the Insurance Law without further notice to persons failing to comply with the directions herein contained.

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To *Carrie Harris, Heir to Est. of Lucinda Meher (Dec'd)*
312 N. 65th Street 465797
Penn. Route, Indiana 12913

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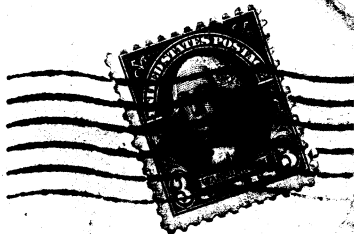
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Box 426

Ilton, Oklahoma



Mr Lee Norman Wehr
1943 N. 8th
Terre Haute, Ind.

The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

Box 426

OILTON, OKLA.

October 26, 1932

Mr. Lee Norman Wehr
1943 N. 8th
Terre Haute, Ind.

Dear Sir:

Please sign enclosed letter and send to President Hoover.

Very truly yours,

J. H. Buchanan
J. H. Buchanan
Jr. Chief Buchanan Clan

(By M. Denney)

JHB:MD

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The Hon. Herbert Hoover
President of the United States

Dear Sir:

Will you please write our chief, J. H. Buchanan,
chief of The Buchanan Clan, Box 426, Oilton, Oklahoma,
giving any and all information you can on the Buchanan
Estate?

Yours truly,

L.O. Buchanan

1020 East 28th St

Houston

Texas

Mrs ~~James~~ Buchanan
Q 4th / 4 Walnut St

Arguyl —
Hamilton

P. O. BOX 825
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To: Lee H. Greiner..... New to Est of Lucinda Greiner
1943 North 8th Street..... 465792
Pine Bluff, Indiana..... 12918
(Dec'dt)

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The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)
Box 426
Oilton, Okla.



Lee Norman Wehr

Mr. Lee Norman Wehr
1943 N. 8th
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Feb. 3, 1933

To All Members of the Clan and Their Immediate Families:

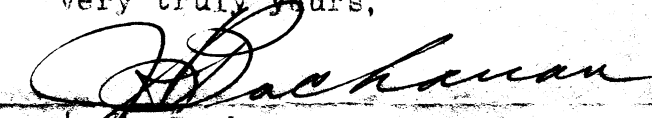
Dear cousins:

I am aware of the fact that you have all been wondering why I have not answered letters. The fact is that I have no money to have these letters properly taken care of, and I felt that it was hardly fair to answer a few and leave the others without answering. It is not because I have given up the work on this property or have decided that we are beaten, but I have had to take up some other work which will allow me to again collect enough money to go ahead with this work.

I sincerely hope that you will all realize the expense of this work and see how necessary it is for me to have the finances to carry on. So far I have taken care of most of these expenses myself, and I suppose that it will be up to me to continue to do so. You will all hear from me from time to time and I expect to make a trip this summer which will extend into New York and Washington, D. C., on the matter before us. So I naturally have to prepare to take care of my expenses on this trip.

I ask you all not to lose faith, and I will have news for you some day that is absolutely satisfactory. Whether you keep faith or not will have no effect whatever on my work in this matter as I have dedicated my time to the final completion of this work and will continue to do so whether I have the financial or moral support of a single member of this family. With sincere good wishes to all for better times I am

Very truly yours,


J. H. Buchanan
Dr. Chief Buchanan Clan

JHB:MD

The Buchanan Clan (Inc.)

A Paper of Facts---As We Know Them

Vol. 1

Oilton, Oklahoma, Monday, October 10, 1932

No. 1

It is common knowledge that there are hundreds of enemies to any cause whether good or bad, and it is also common knowledge that anything not worth fighting for is not worth having, so we progress to the matter in which we are all vitally interested, The Buchanan Estate. This means to ~~gain~~ possession of same and what is being done about it. Everyone looks to L. D. Buchanan's work to produce the desired miracle of settling this Estate out of Court and without any financial outlay on their part. This is one of the big mistakes of your life. Go to any reliable attorney or Judge in the U. S. and ask them if such a settlement must not come through court, an administrator appointed and the regular requirements of law met, and they will tell you that there is no other way such an Estate can possibly be handled.

That puts a little different complexion on the matter doesn't it? All claims will have to be recognized by the said court as legal before you will get a cent, (please remember that).

Neither The Buchanan Clan, or any individual can say that any claim will be paid but **The Court**. L. D. Buchanan is **not the Administrator for the Estate**. Never was, and to my opinion, would not be under any condition, but is only interested as an individual the same as you and I are. He will tell you this if you only ask him.

There is no one in the U. S. who knowingly wishes to cast any reflection on

the work of L. D. Buchanan. Those that do are merely imbeciles and have never talked to him for they will know at once that he is the spirit of sincerity itself. There are any number of people who like to do a lot of mudslinging and they do not care who it hits.

Many are making all kinds of statements against the work of the Clan and let me say right here that there is **not one** of these who will be man enough to put into this work the money, time, and effort that I have. Some dirty, yellow backbiters make the assertion that the Clan is not interested in settlement of the Estate and that I use the "uncle" in reference to L. D. for slick sales talk, etc. Now if these parties are so good suppose we put them in here at this office for one month and they make the sacrifices that I have and the cash outlay and see how good they are and how much Buchanan blood flows in their veins. I'll guarantee you that they will see a lot of things differently.

Anyone who objects to organization of our family under the Buchanan Clan principle is either crooked or ignorant, and neither is excusable. It is a well known fact that some men on the west coast make statements they cannot possibly back up, witness the recent trip to Houston where certain loud speakers were glad to write letters of apology. No names are necessary as those involved know the details as well as I do.

All this uproar will get us no where. The fact remains that small bodies working at cross purposes, and allowing jealousies to come in can only cause trouble and delay and in the end we all lose. I can tell the world that there is not and never will be any glory to those who have given so much to try to help all, for this is the most thankless job that any man or woman ever had. Instead of trying to co-operate, the ones helped to get their papers straight will knock you. They don't even remember to send a stamp for reply half the time and want an answer to their questions by return mail. If you think I am exaggerating, come to my office any time and I will let you see for yourself. People seem to think that I can operate this office, pay rent, printing, help, office supplies, etc., and also for their stamps after the cost of their letter has averaged ten cents or more. Where is this money coming from? Do memberships in the Clan take care of it?

Not by a long ways. J. H. Buchanan has been out just \$568.63 cash besides all the time and living expenses since February 1, 1932, and I have the records to show it. Where do I get the money? You ask?—Ans., I have just recently cashed out my compensation certificate \$473.00 to meet the deficit of our treasury. Can any **ONE** of you ever honestly say that I have personally asked for a cent for the services I have tried to give?

What profit can the Great Intelligent Gentleman get out of this? I am sure that many of you have been displeased with me, and I am not infallible. also my nerves are sometimes strained to the breaking point. So if I write you a "scorcher" sometimes, please forget it as I am not always able to write as I should; after all we are all hu-

man and I'm sure that if you could meet me here in my office you would have a better understanding of things as they are.

In the finale let me say that these people who are always on the inside are a big joke for they are not better informed than you and not always as well.

The Buchanan Clan has never made a charge for the handling of claims and no one is forced to take up membership to have their claims handled by us. What can be fairer than that? Does this strike you as being a money making proposition?

Any one taking up membership must do so of their own free will without any strings to it. Those who are not financially able to pay the full amount may send in their application with One Dollar (\$1.00) and pay the rest as it is possible then when the full amount is sent in their certificate can be issued.

Organization means concerted effort and that is the only real solution to our problems.